

WEATHER FORECASTS

For 24 hours ending 5 p.m. Sunday.
Victoria and vicinity—Increasing easterly and southerly winds, unsettled and variable.
Lower Mainland—Easterly winds, fresh to strong on the Gulf, unsettled and mild with rain.

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WHERE TO GO TO-NIGHT

Pantagis—Vanderbilt
Dominion—“The Spy.”
Royal—Marguerite Clark.
Variety—George Beban.
Columbia—Maciste.

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MR. WILSON MAY MAKE STATEMENT SOON ON RUSSIAN SITUATION

Views Are Being Exchanged With Japan, But American Government Is Doubtful of the Need of Intervention by Japan in the Siberian Field

Washington, March 16.—There were intimations in official circles to-day that President Wilson might make an early declaration on the Russian situation. It was not indicated what might be its form or its manner of delivery.

The attitude of the United States towards intervention in Siberia by Japan, whether she acts independently or in conjunction with the other powers, has not undergone any change, it was said to-day at the State Department. Officials remained reticent regarding Japan's expression of her intentions, but it was indicated that an exchange of views was continuing, and from this it was deduced that Japan has not determined definitely on a course. It was suggested that final decision might be delayed until the new Japanese Ambassador, Count Ishii, reaches the United States, but the probability of that was discounted at the Department.

It is known that the United States Government has been doubtful of the need of intervention by Japan, many officers of this Government fearing that such action might bring together the various factions in Russia to combat the Japanese—even if they were supported by the armies of the Entente and however good their intentions.

No Troops Sent.

London, March 16.—The Japanese Premier, Count Terauchi, speaking in the Diet yesterday, characterized as untrue a report that a small body of Entente troops had been dispatched towards Siberia, according to a Reuter dispatch from Tokio.

CANADA'S EXPORTS AT HIGH FIGURE

Food Shipments During February Just Past Far Above Year Ago.

Ottawa, March 16.—A tremendous increase in exports of Canadian products in February, 1918, as compared with February, 1917, is shown in figures prepared by the Customs Department and the Cost-of-Living Branch of the Department of Labor.

The exports of butter increased from about 50,000 pounds to 400,000 pounds; of cheese, from 3,600,000 pounds to about 5,000,000 pounds; eggs, from 25,000 to 134,000 dozen; beef, from 1,500,000 to 19,500,000 pounds.

The exports of fresh, frozen and pickled pork alone showed a decrease. In February, 1917, there was exported 960,000 pounds, and this year only 113,000 pounds. This was largely due to the fact that pork is converted into bacon or ham for export.

The increase in the exports of Canadian pork, however, was much greater this year, as the imports of pork, chiefly from the United States, in February, 1918, were only 57,000 pounds, as compared with 19,200,000 pounds in February of last year. The imports of bacon and ham were only 34,000 pounds this year as compared with 2,000,000 pounds last year. The imports of the other commodities also show a slight decrease. In February, 1918, there were about 100,000 dozen eggs imported, as compared with 340,000 dozen in February, 1917.

FIFTY MEMBERS OF NEW PARLIAMENT ARE SWORN IN AT OTTAWA

Ottawa, March 16.—Approximately fifty members of the new Parliament signed the register and took the oath in the Commons chamber between 12 and 1 o'clock to-day. Among the first to sign the roll were Hon. Arthur Meighen, Hon. Hugh Guthrie, Colonel Hugh Clark and Hon. F. B. McCurdy. At 1 o'clock several other members of the Cabinet who had been in attendance at a Cabinet meeting went to the Museum Building to sign the roll and be sworn. The ceremony commenced to-day in order to make it possible to have a large body of members who will arrive on Sunday and Monday sworn between 9 and 11 o'clock Monday forenoon.

KILLED BY CAR.

Halifax, March 16.—A. E. Craig, manager of the Arlington Hotel, Westville, N. S., was killed at Westville last night. He was in a sleigh driving with three others from Westville to Stellarton when a car of the Pictou Electric Railway ran into the sleigh. Three companions of Mr. Craig escaped with a shaking up. A verdict of accidental death was returned by a coroner's jury.

Dutch Government Prohibits Sailings for United Kingdom

Copenhagen, March 16.—A dispatch to *The Politiken* from Amsterdam states that the Dutch Government yesterday prohibited Dutch steamships from sailing for ports in the United Kingdom.

Number in Uniform Under Canadian Army Act Nearing 28,000

Ottawa, March 16.—Up to noon Thursday 27,545 men had reported for service under Military Service Act. This is an advance of 1,400 over the total reporting up to noon on Thursday last week.

RAID NEAR ARMENTIERES BY BRITISH WAS SUCCESS, PRISONERS BEING TAKEN

London, March 16.—Welsh troops carried out a successful raid last night in the neighborhood of Armentieres and captured fifteen prisoners and two machine guns, says a report received from Field-Marshal Haig's headquarters in France and issued by the War Office here this afternoon.

"Hostile artillery was active southeast of Ypres and in the neighborhood of the Menin Road and south of Houthulst Forest."

Paris, March 16.—Active artillery fighting on the Verdun front and on the front in the Woëvre is reported in a communication issued by the War Office here this afternoon.

Berlin, March 16.—The British forces on the Franco-Belgian front were extremely active during the evening yesterday and also at night, notably in the region running south from Arras as far as St. Quentin, army headquarters announces to-day. The text of the statement reads:

"Front of Crown Prince Rupprecht. During the evening and at night the British were very active especially between Arras and St. Quentin.

"Great losses were caused among the population of Menin and Halluc (southeast of Ypres), situated behind our front, by the enemy's fire and dropping of bombs.

"Army group of the German Crown Prince—Near Rheims, on both banks of the Meuse and on the Lorraine front near Biermont the artillery fighting was heavy during the day. On both sides of Ormes it continued to be heavy during the night.

"Elsewhere there is nothing to report."

SEEKS OUTLET FOR SURPLUS PRODUCE

Evaporating Plant and Shipments to Prairies to Be Investigated

The Increased Food Production Committee this morning, in a representative gathering of over fifty citizens, went on record favorable to the investigation of the establishment of a community evaporating and canning plant here.

Mayor Todd, who moved the resolution, said there were a great many matters to be considered with regard to the distribution of foodstuffs and their preservation, and it might be that the expense would prove too great. At any rate, however, he thought the meeting would be wise to gather data on the subject.

Alderman Dinsdale seconded the motion and it received the support of several women delegates, who stated they would welcome any movement on behalf of the housewives to preserve perishable produce.

Alderman Sargent, Chairman of the Committee, stated that he would take time to consider the personnel of the committee, which by unanimous vote he was asked to nominate.

Surplus Foodstuffs

A similar course was adopted with regard to Mayor Todd's motion for a committee to meet the Provincial Minister of Railways and Agriculture and to ascertain what steps could be taken to secure the transportation of vegetables, fruit and other surplus produce in carload lots to the prairies and to secure special freight rates for mixed cargoes.

Alderman Sangster seconded the resolution.

His Worship stated that he had already taken preliminary steps with regard to both of these two issues, and would shortly have some data on the subject.

FOREIGNERS TRIED TO RUSH JAIL AT TIMMINS, ONTARIO

Timmins, Ont., March 16.—A mob of 600 foreigners attempted to rush the jail here on Thursday after Magistrate Atkinson had refused bail to a Russian who had been arrested on a charge of having made seditious statements in the Finland Hall. The magistrate later granted cash bail of \$2,000 and the man was released, avoiding further trouble.

The man said he had been at work on munitions at Brantford.

REPORT ON SALMON FISHERIES OF B. C.

Commission Which Investigated Recommends Public Treasury Share in Profits

REQUIREMENT OF BRITISH CITIZENSHIP URGED

Ottawa, March 16.—The final report of the Fisheries Commission of 1917, which investigated the salmon fisheries of British Columbia, has been presented to Hon. C. C. Ballantyne, Minister of Marine. Some interesting suggestions are made by the Commissioners, W. Sanford Evans, who was chairman; H. B. Thomson, and F. T. James.

In the opinion of the Commissioners all the conditions surrounding the industry should be stabilized and inefficient use of capital and labor obviated or prevented. The solution of the problem of possible excessive profits to individuals, they say, is not to be found in permitting more capital or labor than can efficiently perform the work to engage in the industry, but rather a return to the establishment of conditions that are stable and sound.

The salmon industry, the Commissioners believe, should contribute to the public treasury, through graduated license fees, that proportion of its profits in excess of a reasonable return for capital and enterprise.

Government education is in more direct and intimate touch with the fisheries than is the case with any other important national industry, says the report, and it states that the fisheries need not only to be regulated and inspected, but also to be made to yield the greatest possible amount of national wealth. All appointments to the fisheries inspection staff should be placed under the Civil Service Commission and patronage eliminated, the investigators say.

Beginning with 1919, the Commissioners recommend that attached licenses be done away with, that only forms of gill net licenses be issued without reference to any cannery, that competence as a fisherman be established as a qualification for a license, and that British citizenship be insisted upon.

They suggest a reconsideration of the administrative system so as to make it more effective in dealing with the Pacific fisheries, to establish co-operation and to avoid overlapping activities.

SPLIT OCCURS IN LENINE'S CABINET

Social Revolutionists of Left Denounce the Treaty With Germany

Ottawa, March 16.—A conflict occurred between the Maximalists and Social Revolutionists of the Left, who are members of the Council of the People's Commissaries, according to a report received here from the Petrograd telegraph agency. The Social Revolutionists refused to ratify the treaty of peace with Germany, and said they were resolved to rescind the moment the treaty was ratified by the All-Russian Congress of Soviets at Moscow.

Defence Urged.

Moscow, March 14.—(Delayed)—(By the Associated Press)—The newspapers here generally commend the disposition of the United States to refrain from joining any plan to restrain Russia.

A caucus of the Bolsheviks, while favoring signing of the German peace treaty, has resolved to approve the course of the peace delegation of the Council of the People's Commissaries.

The caucus also condemned the German peace terms and declared it was necessary to restore order and organize for defence.

SWEDISH TRAWLERS AND ONE STEAMER SEIZED BY GERMANS

London, March 16.—A number of large Swedish trawlers and one of the largest Gothenburg steamships have been captured by German submarines off the Skaw, the northern extremity of Jutland, Denmark, and forced to go to Germany, according to a report printed by the Gothenburg Shipping Gazette and forwarded by the Exchange Telegraph correspondent at Copenhagen.

The steamer seized is the Princess Inborg, from Gothenburg, the Copenhagen advices say. She was ordered to proceed to Kiel.

Before sailing, it is added, the steamer had the promise of a safe conduct to Holland, to which country she was bound with a cargo of grain for the Belgian Relief Commission.

HOLLAND IS SAID TO HAVE AGREED TO LET ENTENTE HAVE SHIPS

One London Dispatch Says Netherlands Willing Ships Be Used in Danger Zone, But Another Dispatch Says She Objects to Such a Course

Amsterdam, March 16.—The Associated Press hears on excellent authority that the Dutch Government has accepted the demands of the Allied Governments relating to the use of Dutch ships in the danger zone.

London, March 16.—A reply from the Dutch Government to the Allies' announcement regarding the utilization of Dutch shipping is expected before Monday. According to information received here, it will propose an agreement for the use of Dutch ships and the understanding that they are not to be taken into the danger zone. The Allies will not assent to this and it is expected that the taking over of the ships on March 18 will proceed according to the programme.

DISORDERS ON GERMAN WARSHIPS OF FLEET OFF ALAND ISLANDS

Petrograd, March 15, via London, March 16.—Fresh disorders have occurred in the German fleet off the Aland Islands, according to the Russian military newspaper Krasnaya Armia.

STEEL PLANT NEAR NEW WESTMINSTER

Council of That City Will Consider New York Men's Proposal

Vancouver, March 16.—A dispatch from a correspondent in Ottawa to The Vancouver Province says:

"Arrangements have been completed by New York capitalists for the establishment of a steel plant in British Columbia. A lease has been signed in Ottawa for a tract of the Indian Reserve on the North Arm of the Fraser River near New Westminster. The lease is for twenty-one years, renewable for twenty-one more."

"Work on the plant is to start in sixty days and the company is to commence with fifty tons of steel a day, the output to be increased to 100 tons. Steel billets, rods, plates, etc., will be rolled and the electrical process will be used in the manufacture."

"The principals will leave New York in a week's time for the coast. A. W. Gray, Mayor of New Westminster, is interested in the project."

Particulars Declined.

Over the telephone this morning Mayor Gray confirmed the above dispatch, but declined further particulars. The negotiations had not yet reached a stage, he said, where it seemed advisable to discuss the project publicly.

He indicated, however, that papers connection with the matter were expected from Ottawa early next week and he proposed to place the whole scheme formally before the City Council immediately following their arrival.

He had had several interviews with the promoters when in the East. So far no concessions had been sought from the city as an inducement to locate, and he observed that the firm in question was not the one which recently suggested the erection of a steel plant in New Westminster if assured a million-dollar guarantee.

MORE FARM HANDS THAN NEEDED IN AMERICAN WEST

Washington, March 16.—More farm hands are available in the western part of the United States than are needed immediately and there is only a slight scarcity in the east and south, according to reports to the Department of Labor.

ARTILLERY ACTIONS ON ITALIAN FRONT

Rome, March 16.—"Harassing actions by the opposing artillery were more frequent in the zone north of Ponte Della Pria and south of Zenon, on the Plave," says to-day's official statement. "Hostile patrols were put to flight."

"In the Asiago region our bursts of fire repeatedly disturbed enemy rear line movements."

BERLIN PAPER WANTS GERMANY TO EXPLOIT PERSIA AND SIBERIA

London, March 16.—Germany must count as accomplished the fact of an economic war after the war and control by Great Britain and the United States of sea-borne traffic in raw materials, declares the Pan-German Taegliche Rundschau of Berlin, according to a dispatch from The Hague. The London Daily Mail, The Taegliche Rundschau adds: "Germany therefore must exploit Persia and Siberia. Bremen and Hamburg, which so long have strained their eyes earnestly seawards, must for some time turn their gaze landward. Germany must make up her mind to exploit the countries available to her and those are the Balkan and Black Sea districts, followed by the Caucasus, the Trans-Caspian district, Persia and Siberia."

HALIFAX BARRISTER DIES

St. John, N. B., March 16.—John T. Ross, of Halifax, died here after a long illness. He was formerly a law partner of Sir Robert Borden.

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Both von Hindenburg and von Ludendorff have been "interviewed" by the German press on the subject of a German offensive on the West Front. Von Hindenburg says that as the Allies have proved unresponsive to the German peace overtures the "offensive must go on." Von Ludendorff is more explicit. Germany, he says, is now superior to the Entente powers in men, material, aerial forces, tanks; ~~existing~~ in fact, standing in readiness on our side in the greatest abundance. He then says that "if the enemy does not want peace he will have to fight, and this fight will, of course, be the most tremendous of the whole war."

All this means, of course, that Germany is trying to make a deal with the Allies at the expense of Russia, Poland, Trans-Caucasia, Armenia, Roumania and Serbia, just as she tried to make a deal with Britain at the expense of France, and one with France at the expense of Great Britain, before and after the commencement of the war. In the West she offers long concessions or a Western offensive; in other words she demands that the Allies turn their back upon Russia and the rest or meet a German offensive in the West.

It apparently has not dawned upon the Prussian leaders that a German offensive in the West is just what the Allies are longing for, and that they would prefer it to the necessity of conducting one of their own. Nor does it seem to have dawned upon them that the whole world has penetrated their design and is quite aware that the endless dragging and blowing about a tremendous German offensive is intended to make that operation unnecessary. The Allies know quite well that Germany is trying to avoid a costly western campaign. She fears it and its possible consequences. She is uncertain over the morale of both her army and her people. Instead of having an abundance of everything, as von Ludendorff says, she is getting perilously short in many things, and the Allies, to quote General Foch, "know pretty nearly everything she has."

Whether the Germans have actually made a direct overture to the Allies for the sacrifice of Russia or not has not been disclosed. There has been, of course, a standing offer to "negotiate" ever since the Germans and Bolsheviks came together at Brest-Litovsk, and the flood of talk about a German offensive was let loose to intimidate the Allies into accepting it. The offer was ignored and Germany probably has either made other overtures in secret or is about to do so. The "interviews" with von Hindenburg and von Ludendorff can mean nothing else.

GLARING DISPROPORTIONS.

Advocates of proportional representation find strong support for their advocacy in the figures of the Dominion election. In these there are glaring disproportions between voting strength and representation along the entire line. In the aggregate 151 members were elected by 1,626,000 votes, while 82 were elected by 758,000 votes. The minority thus are a long way from being represented in Parliament in fair proportion to their voting strength.

The Ottawa Citizen in an analysis of the vote finds even more remarkable instances of disproportion in the returns for the various provinces. It points out that in British Columbia the Government gained thirteen seats through a total vote of almost 60,000, but that the Opposition did not get a solitary seat although its total vote was over 40,000. In Alberta the situation is almost as anomalous. Here the Government secured eleven seats through a total of practically 80,000 votes. The Opposition candidates secured 56,000 votes and elected one member. In Saskatchewan the 32,000 non-Unionist voters will go totally unrepresented, while the 83,000 Unionists will be a factor in Parliament with a solid contingent of sixteen members. On the other hand, the situation is practically reversed in Quebec. Here three Unionists will represent the wishes of 76,000 voters, while 245,500 non-Unionists will secure sixty-two seats.

New Brunswick will have four Opposition members with a total vote of 32,000, while the same province has elected seven administration supporters with a total of 42,623 votes. Nova Scotia cast almost 50,000 votes for the Government with the result that twelve members were elected to support the

administration, while the Opposition were favored by 51,000 electors, but secured three seats less!

The Citizens doubts if any Anglo-Saxon country has furnished a more potent argument for the reform of its electoral system than the recent contest in the Dominion. Whole provinces go totally unrepresented, the disparity between the parties in many cases being numerically unimportant. Under an equitable system of electing representatives all sections of the community would be responsible for the acts of Government and would feel a personal interest in the legislation of the country. Our contemporary claims that the present system makes for virtual disfranchisement of whole provinces under certain circumstances such as prevailed at the last election, while normally the majority in the House of Commons may actually represent a fewer number of electors than the opposition.

THE CANADIAN NORTHERN PACIFIC.

Mr. Hall's resolution expresses the opinion that if the Mackenzie & Mann interests received payment for their stock from the Dominion before they completed their undertakings in British Columbia it would be an outrage upon the people of the Province. According to the Drayton-Ackworth report the stock is valueless and in that case it would be an outrage all round if they were remunerated for it, the degree of outrage depending upon the amount awarded by the arbitrators now investigating the matter.

But it is out of the question now to expect Mackenzie & Mann and their associates to complete their programme in this Province, because whether they are paid for their stock or not, the system is passing out of their hands into the hands of the Government. It is to the Dominion Government that we must look for the performance of the uncompleted contracts, for in taking over the system it also takes over the obligations to which the system is committed in the covenants entered into with this Province by the promoters.

It ought to be possible for the Provincial and Dominion Governments to come to some arrangement, satisfactory to both, for the solution of the railroad problem in this Province. There are certain sections of the Island programme of the Canadian Northern Pacific which should be completed at once for they would play an important part in the development of the Island's resources. It is desirable also that the Dominion should have the P. G. E. It would be well for the legislature to bear in mind, however, that it cannot compel the Dominion to complete the Canadian Northern programme in British Columbia or take over the P. G. E. These all-important questions should be kept clear of politics and settled by amicable arrangements.

The chief value of the Legislature debate regarding the Canadian Northern undertakings will lie in the emphasis it will give to the well-founded grievances of the people of this Province, particularly of the Island in connection with the matter, and the necessity of early action for their removal.

THE RAILWAY RATE.

The Federal Government has confirmed the decision of the Railway Commission giving the railways permission to increase railroad rates approximately fifteen per cent. against the appeal of the Western Provincial Governments, Boards of Trade and other public bodies. The Government, however, modified the decision of the Railway Board by providing that the new rates, instead of being permanent, should cease to be effective one year after the declaration of peace following the war.

To meet the objection that most of the benefit from the increase would go to the C. P. R., which for years has been earning more than it knows what to do with, the Cabinet passed an Order-in-Council imposing special taxation on the profits of that road so that some of the difference would go into the public treasury. We fail to see how this can meet the objection. The fact that the treasury will benefit from a part of the company's superprofit does not relieve those who have to contribute it. It simply means that the Government and the C. P. R. divide between them the proceeds of a stiff new taxation levy, and there is certainly no consolation in this for those who have to bear the burden.

which, of course, gets most of the benefit as it does a vastly greater business than its rivals.

OF COURSE.

Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg admits the truth of the statement recently made by Stephen Pichon, French Foreign Minister, that on July 31, 1914, the German Ambassador in Paris demanded that France, if she wished to remain neutral in the war between Germany and Russia, hand over to the Germans the fortresses of Verdun and Toul for occupation until the war was over, as a guarantee of French neutrality.

That impudent demand was made upon France two days before Germany declared war upon Russia, showing conclusively that Germany was bent upon war at all costs, and that no matter what the negotiations between Russia and Austria or Austria and Serbia might turn, she was going to strike when her hour came. It had all been settled at the Potsdam conference of July 5, even to the Kaiser's camouflage trip to Norwegian waters.

Who but a Prussian would demand that France surrender her main ~~main~~ defensive line to the Germans, who even at that time had massed large bodies of troops along the Rhine? Who but a Prussian would imagine for one minute that France would present her breastplate to the assassin standing ready to stab? Why the Huns did not ask for Paris as a guarantee of French neutrality, may never be disclosed. They probably did not think of it. The significant fact is that they asked for Verdun and Toul as guarantees of French neutrality in "the war between Germany and Russia" two days before that war broke out, and at a time when the Kaiser, von Bethmann-Hollweg and the others—according to their own protestations three years later—were laboring mightily to prevent the Balkan quarrel ending in a great war!

Two Fronts.

"No one could seriously doubt that we had not only to fight against the Russian mobilization but also to fight France. The Russo-French Alliance had sufficiently shown by the attitude adopted by both countries during recent decades that any war would be, for us, a war on two fronts and, furthermore, our enemies' own publications regarding the events of July 1914, also testify that Russia herself had made sure of France's assistance.

"I myself was not in the slightest doubt regarding this state of affairs when the instructions were sent Baron von Schoen, but, precisely on that account, we could not disregard the eventuality that perhaps France would provisionally make a declaration of neutrality, which, however, could not be relied upon permanently, and that under the cover of her apparent initial neutrality she might complete her preparations in order to fall on us at a moment when we were deeply engaged in the East.

IRON SUPPLY IS A GERMAN PROBLEM

May Be Connection Between Reported Peace Feelers and That Need

Washington, March 16.—The inference that Germany may have made a new peace offer to the Allies, proposing terms at the expense of Russia, coincides with an undercurrent of discussion which has been running in diplomatic circles here for some time, but which never have shown any evidence of tangible development.

The statement of Lord Robert Cecil in the British House of Commons yesterday that no such proposal would be considered, coupled with Field-Marshal Hindenburg's statement that the German offensive would go in in the view of the Entente's unresponsive attitude towards Germany's peace intentions, served to strengthen the view of neutral diplomats here, who for some time have believed that some sort of underground feelers have been going out from Germany for some time.

American officials and Allied diplomats, while agreeing entirely with Lord Robert Cecil's statement that no such term will be considered, give no evidence of how much may be known here of what Hindenburg refers to as Germany's peace intentions.

Some of the neutral diplomats, however, have firmly believed for some time that Germany would be willing even to give up Alsace-Lorraine if she were permitted to retain her hold on the Baltic Provinces and the mineral belts in the other nearby sections of Russia. The general current of opinion in diplomatic circles here for some time has turned toward the possibility of Germany attempting to give way in the West and making up her losses in the East.

Needs Iron.

The extent to which the future supplies of iron ore enter into Germany's peace plans is indicated in the latest advice received here showing discussion of the subject in Germany. These show that Germany knows the production of ore within her own borders is limited by experts to fifty years, that Sweden contemplates an iron industry of her own which will require her own ore, and that the supply in Spain, upon which Germany also has drawn, is approaching exhaustion. Consequently German officials contend that her supply of ore must logically come from the fields of Longwy and Brie, assuring ore for a century. Inasmuch as the Allies are pledged by repeated declarations to the restoration of this territory to France, which would close these fields to Germany, diplomats see in proposed permanent acquisition of mineral belts in the Russian provinces Germany's last hope of remaining a military power.

PARCELS FOR PRISONERS.

Ottawa, March 16.—It is pointed out by the Deputy Postmaster-General here that in accordance with a memorandum issued by the German authorities, all parcels for prisoners of war in Germany should be addressed to the "parent" or main camp to which camps the prisoners belong and not to any branch or working camp. To insure prisoners getting parcels relatives here should ascertain their main camp and address them there.

SALOONS MADE TO CLOSE.

Newport, R. I., March 16.—The Navy Department order prohibiting the sale of liquor within five miles of the Newport naval station went into effect today, with the result that forty-nine saloons and wholesale liquor stores in this city were forced out of business.

HOLLWEG ADMITS**PICHON'S STATEMENT**

Germany Did Demand Toul and Verdun as French Guarantee

Amsterdam, March 16.—In an interview upon France two days before Germany declared war upon Russia, showing conclusively that Germany was bent upon war at all costs, and that no matter what the negotiations between Russia and Austria or Austria and Serbia might turn, she was going to strike when her hour came. It had all been settled at the Potsdam conference of July 5, even to the Kaiser's camouflage trip to Norwegian waters.

M. Pichon said that on July 31, 1914, Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg, the German Chancellor, instructed Baron von Schoen, then German Ambassador to France, to demand that France, if she desired, to remain neutral in the war between Russia and Germany, should hand over to Germany as a guarantee of neutrality the fortress of Toul and Verdun to be occupied until after the war.

Von Bethmann-Hollweg says: "The Russian general mobilization furnished indisputable proof that those factors which overruled the wishes of the German government were the desire of war. My instructions to Baron von Schoen on July 31, 1914, Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg, the German Chancellor, instructed Baron von Schoen, then German Ambassador to France, to demand that France, if she desired, to remain neutral in the war between Russia and Germany, should hand over to Germany as a guarantee of neutrality the fortress of Toul and Verdun, to be occupied until after the war.

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from them. I feel that there may be others who would be interested in this subject, and any practical information from the professor would be esteemed a favor.

E. J. C. S.

Victoria, March 15, 1918.

CONCERT AT HIGH SCHOOL

A splendid array of local talent has been assembled for the Red Cross concert, to be given in the High School on Monday evening. The proceedings will open with a duet by the Misses Wootten and Butterfield; little Miss Naomi Taylor, a very small performer, will give a bed-time dance; Mrs. Ozard and Mrs. Hincks, Stewart Clark and H. J. Davis will render the amusing trio, "For Months and Months and Months." A sketch from "Richelieu," a recitation by Miss Helen Badgley, conjuring by Mr. Brinkman and a dance by Miss Ruth McBride are among the many enjoyable numbers on the programme, while a feature of the vacant lot.

I have one or two lots which I intend to cultivate, and from what the professor has said feel inclined to venture sugar beets, but how to dispose profitably of any good crop that might be raised here on some of the vacant lots.

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Just Two Weeks to Easter—

This Store Is Ready With Full Stocks of Women's, Misses' and Children's

Ladies' Gloves---

Appropriate for wear with your New Spring Suit or Dress.
Heavy Cotton Gloves , natural, beaver, mode, grey, white and black; 2-dome. Special, a pair 50¢
Chamoisette Gloves , in white, also white with black points; 2-dome. A pair \$1.00
Silk Gloves , Kayser, Queen Quality and Niagara Maid, in all the leading shades; also black with white points and white with black points. A pair, 75¢, 85¢, \$1.00 and \$1.25
Glace Kid Gloves , in black and white; 2-dome. Special, a pair \$1.50
Cape Skin Gloves , tan only; heavy make; 1-dome. At, a pair \$1.50
Real Chamois Gloves , in natural and white. Special at, a pair \$1.50
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—Gloves, Main Floor

Ready-to-Wear in the Season's Smartest Creations



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Fashionable for wear with the smart new shoes and short skirts now in vogue for Spring.

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Women's Cotton Hose, black only, all sizes. Special, a pair, 25¢

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Women's Lisle Hose, in black, tan, white and colors. Special value, a pair 50¢

Women's Lisle Hose, in black, tan and white. Superior grade. A pair 65¢

Women's Lisle Hose, in black and tan. Pair 75¢

—Hose, Main Floor

Two of the busiest weeks of the year in the Ready-to-Wear Sections are before us. Stocks are new and full—all the very latest creations being represented in a wonderful variety.

Most women take a delight in selecting their new Spring garments early—in time for wear Easter Sunday. They will, therefore, be planning their purchases during the next two weeks.

May we not suggest that you shop in the morning—when the store is fresh—the salespeople at their best. There are no crowds to jostle and inconvenience you. In the afternoon the store is crowded—the clerks are rushed. We cannot then give you all the time nor the attention we like to give.

The Most Comprehensive and Distinguished Collection of Suits, Coats and Dresses in the City

This season we have specialized on garments that are smart, combined with serviceability and reasonable prices. Every Suit, Coat or Dress you see in the Ready-to-Wear Department has these characteristics.

We feel confident that you will appreciate our range of models, also the values.

In Suits

—We are showing models in the straight tailored lines, the semi-tailored, also the more dressy effects. But whether it's a strictly tailored or a novelty model—all feature the trim slender lines now so popular.

—These Suits are beautifully tailored from good quality all-wool materials—the most prominent being serges, gabardines, tricotines, velours and tweeds, in shades French blue, Pekin, navy, sand and light and dark greys. All the Suits are handsomely finished, and very smartly trimmed with braids or buttons; some have collars of satin or over collars of white silk or colored silk foulards.

Prices are most reasonable—\$25.00, \$27.50 and intermediate prices to \$75.00.

—Children's, First Floor

Children's Pongee Silk Dresses \$3.75

—Very dainty styles, finished with smocking both back and front. A nice quality that makes most serviceable Wash Dresses for children 2 to 6 years. Specially good value at \$3.75

—Children's, First Floor

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Front-Lace Corsets?

Among other reasons why so many women have a personal preference for the La Camille Front-lace Corset is because of the charming back. There is never the faintest fault to interrupt the graceful flowing lines which are now so important in the scheme of things fashionable.

If up to the present you have never worn a La Camille Corset and would like to know more about them, we will be pleased to show you the new Spring models now in stock. Make an appointment with our corsetiere.

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—Corsets, First Floor



In Separate Coats

—We show a wide variety of models in the most favored lengths—three-quarter and seven-eighth. These are good useful garments which will be worn as general utility coats throughout the season. There's the loose fitting, also the more fitted styles, finished with belts and pockets. Some of the belts fasten with huge buckles either in front or at the side. The materials favor wool Donegal tweeds, velours, serges and gabardines. Prices of Coats range up from \$15.00

In One-Piece Dresses

—The One-Piece Dress takes a prominent place this season in the spring outfit. Most women will include one or more Dresses in her estimate. The styles are new and varied—ranging from the simple tailored garment to a handsome novelty that has the combined appearance of dress and suit—the latter being particularly appropriate for street wear. There are pretty little dresses of navy and green serge, featuring pleated skirts from yoke or belt, with collars trimmed with colored braids or white satin. Splendid value at \$13.75

—Other styles priced \$15.00, \$18.75, \$22.50

Very smart models in the more draped effects, but retaining the slender trim lines. Most reasonably priced \$25.00 to \$45.00

—Mantle Dept., First Floor

—Children's, First Floor

Towels Suitable for the St. Joseph's Hospital Towel Shower Tuesday Next, March 19

For this Shower we offer the following suitable grades at very low prices:

White Turkish Towels , size 16 x 36, and a nice even weave. Our regular price \$2.40 on sale for, dozen \$1.80
Small But Good Quality White Turkish Towels , made from heavy yarns. Regular price \$3.00 a dozen. On sale for, each, 20¢ or, dozen \$2.40
White Turkish Towels , 18 x 27, each, 25¢ or, dozen \$2.80
White Turkish Towels , 19 x 36, each, 30¢ or, dozen \$3.40
White Turkish Towels , 21 x 44, each, 35¢ or, dozen \$4.00

* A basket will be in the Department to receive your contribution. To save you any inconvenience if you will just leave your card we will do the rest for you.

—Towel Dept., Main Floor

Splendid Styles and Values in Girls' Cotton Wash Dresses Priced 95c to \$6.75

—All nice new styles, very dainty and serviceable for school, home or street wear. A big variety to choose from, and there are styles and values to suit all ages and pocket-books.

—One of the leading features with the new styles is the high-waisted effect, while plaids and checks take a prominent place in materials.

There Are Dresses for Little Girls, 2 to 6 years, priced as low as 95¢ and up to \$1.50

Dresses from 2 to 14 years, \$1.50 to \$2.00

Colored Rep Dresses, in dainty styles embroidered and finished with belt. Sizes 2 to 6 years; \$2.50 and \$3.50

Larger Sizes, 8 to 14 years, priced \$4.50 to \$6.75

Come in and inspect them early.



—Children's, First Floor

Tiger Brand Underwear For Men And Boys

Big shipment of this famous Canadian made Underwear just opened up. Included:

Men's Natural Wool Mixture Elastic Rib, Medium Weight Shirts and Drawers; suitable for early Spring wear. A garment \$1.50

Better grade, \$1.75 and \$2.00

Union Suits, in same grades; closed crotch, well finished. A suit, \$3.50 and \$4.00

Boys' Natural Wool Mixture Elastic Rib Shirts and Drawers, medium weight for Spring wear; long sleeves and ankle length drawers; sizes 24 to 32 chest. Priced according to size, a garment, 90¢ to \$1.30

Union Suits, for boys; made in the same grades and styles; sizes 22 to 32 chest. Priced according to size, a suit, \$1.60 to \$2.65

—Underwear, Main Floor

Boys' Shirt Waists

In new patterns for Spring and Summer wear. White ground with stripes, in colors mauve, blue and black. Each Shirt finished with patent adjustable button and buttonhole band at waist. Pocket and band cuffs. Double soft turn-down collar, with loops. All sizes. Each 65¢

—Shirts, Main Floor

Little Boys' Woolen Suits— Special at \$2.75

Two-piece Suits, jersey and pants to match; in shades cardinal, navy, dark grey and white. A nice warm quality for present wear. Sizes 2 and 3 years. Very special at \$2.75

Boys' Separate Woolen Pants, to match the above suits. Special, a pair 1.25

—Children's, First Floor

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If You Have Shopping to Do This Evening, It Will Pay You to Read These SPECIALS

Ontario Clover Honey, 5-lb. balls, regular \$1.40, for	\$1.19
Wheat Pearl Cream of Wheat, 6-lb. sack, regular 55¢, for	47¢
Currant Buns, regular 15¢, for	13¢
Milkweed Cream, regular 50¢, for	38¢
Aluminum Saucepans, regular \$1.50, for	\$1.15
Toasted Marshmallow, regular 45¢ lb. for	29¢
A. Y. P. Mixture, regular 40¢ lb. for	29¢
Wax Tissue Rolls, regular 5¢; 4 for	15¢

SPECIAL AT THE DRUG DEPT. FROM 7 to 9:30 THIS EVENING

Mother's Favorite Soap, per box, regular 33¢, for	24¢
Plate Finish Linen Envelopes, regular 2 pks. for 25¢, 3 for	23¢
Witch Hazel Lotion, regular 23¢, for	17¢
Quinine Pills, regular 10¢ box, 3 for	23¢
Chase's Catarrh Powder, regular 25¢ box, for	20¢
Peroxide Facial Soap, regular 20¢ cake, for	15¢

TOBACCO SPECIAL

Craven A Cigarettes, 3 pkts.	3 for 24¢
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A BEDTIME STORY UNCLE WIGGILY AND THE BAT

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(By Howard R. Garis.)

Winter was almost gone from Woodland, where the animal folk lived. In a few weeks more it would start to be summer, but, already, Sammie Littletail, the rabbit, Johnnie and Billie Bushytail, the squirrels, Jackie and Peetie Bow Wow, the puppies and Jimmie Wibblewobble, the duck, were out in the fields, trying to have a game of ball.

"Come on, now! Throw the ball to Sammie, and let him hit it," said Jackie Bow Wow to his brother. "Let him hit it with his bat."

Sammie, the rabbit boy, stood up near a stone, which was "home plate," and with a stick, or bat, in his paws, tried to hit the ball which Peetie Bow Wow threw at him.

"Bing!" went Sammie's bat on the ball, which was an old croquet one that the boys had found in the garden of Uncle Wiggily Longears, the rabbit gentleman.

"That's the way to hit it! That's the way to hit it!" cried Jimmie, the duck. "Run, Sammie! Run!"

Sammie ran, and, as he did so, he tossed the bat from him, so it would not get tangled in his long legs and trip him up. But Sammie threw the bat harder than he meant to. Up in the air it went, and then right into a tree, where it stuck and didn't come down.

"Aw now look what you did, Sammie Littletail!" cried Johnnie, the squirrel boy.

"I didn't mean to," said Sammie, trying to make his pink nose twinkle the way Uncle Wiggily did his.

"Well, now we can't play ball any more until we get that bat down," said Jackie Bow Wow. "Come on, fellows,

Pantages Theatre
Coming Monday and Tuesday
ETHEL BARRYMORE
In
"THE CALL OF HER PEOPLE"

DOMINION THEATRE
ALL WEEK
"THE SPY"
How the Kaiser Operates and Secures Information

ROYAL VICTORIA
ALL WEEK
MARGUERITE CLARK in
"THE SEVEN SWANS"

VARIETY
TO-DAY
GEORGE BEBAN
in "Jules of the Strong Heart"

KING'S DAUGHTERS' ANNUAL CONCERT

Eminent Artists to Give Recitals at Alexandra Club Next Week

Now is the "Time" to "Watch" the Patriotic Fund Grow.

Plated and Sterling Silver Flatware

The King's Daughters is a patriotic body of women who achieve a vast amount of good in a quiet way, which perhaps lacks the more spectacular efforts of larger organizations of a kindred nature. Rare indeed are their appeals to the public, such appeals being almost wholly confined to the series of annual concerts they inaugurated with so much success several years ago. For this reason it is to be hoped that Victorians will turn out in force for the series of recitals to be given under their auspices on Wednesday and Thursday next, March 20 and 21. These two concerts, to be held at the Alexandra Ballroom, will feature William Goodwin, the eminent baritone, the well-known American violinist, Florence Austin, and Lee Cronican, pianist.

Mr. Goodwin, who is a Canadian by birth, was for some time the soloist for the New York Philharmonic, the Boston Festival and the Russian Symphony Orchestra, and later was for three years leading baritone with the Aborn Opera Company. His voice has won him the highest praise throughout America and to-day is at the fullness of its perfection.

Miss Austin, even in the days of her training won the plaudits of such world-renowned virtuosi as Ysaye and Felix Renard, and was the first American to win the Premier Prize at the celebrated Royal Conservatory of Music at Liege, Belgium. The marvelous student ripened into a player of international renown, and she has scored a triumph in the great cities of Europe and America.

Lee Cronican, the pianist is a soloist of power and brilliancy. He does not, however, appeal through his technique alone, for his major claim to the appreciation of his audience lies in his power to make his interpretations of classical themes so purely elemental that musical education is not necessary to understand them.

The Lieutenant-Governor and Lady Barnard have extended their patronage to the event, and a number of prominent members of the naval and military forces, members of the Legislature, and leading citizens have announced their intention of attending the recitals.

PANTAGES ANNOUNCES BARRYMORE ATTRACTION

Manager Steinfield, of the Pantages Theatre, has secured an Ethel Barrymore attraction for the Pantages screen feature for Monday and Tuesday of next week. Miss Barrymore is one of the most appealing actresses of the screen, as she was of the stage, and "The Call of Her People," in which she will be seen on this occasion, is in many ways an extraordinary production.

It is a marvelous screen adaptation of Edward Sheldon's play, "Egypt." The story is lavishly handled and is one of the most effective productions recently released by Metro.

In the picture Ethel Barrymore has an opportunity to display her superb skill as a horsewoman. During the making of the picture the star was called on to ride at breakneck speed both along rough country roads and through crowded city streets filled with vehicles and pedestrians. Six hundred people took part in the production, and Miss Barrymore rode through this crowd on a spirited horse.

After eighteen years' association with the Presbyterian Church at Courtenay, the Rev. Thos. Menzies concluded his pastorate last Sunday evening. In his farewell address he gave an interesting review of the church's activities since he saw its commencement in a woodshed at Comox.

Victorians who have had the pleasure of hearing Madame Melba, the famous diva, will be delighted to hear of the honor recently bestowed upon her, she having been made a Dame Commander of the Order of the British Empire. Announcement to this effect was made in the colonial honor list recently published in London, Eng.

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Interesting Displays of

Spring Fashions in Outer Apparel Commencing Monday

With Easter but two weeks away, it is necessary that we call attention to the importance of these displays and the advisability of making selection now. This, as many will concede, is an opportune time to purchase Spring Apparel, since styles are assured and assortments are representative of the most popular models. In particular we direct attention to the excellent showing of

New Suits, Coats, Street and Afternoon Dresses and Blouses

Which offer wide latitude for satisfactory choosing. The displays throughout will prove of great interest to women who desire to become associated with the best. Visit the Garment Section Monday.

SUITS of Gaberdine, Jersey Cloth, Navy

Serges, Tricotine, Silvertone, etc., at

\$35.00 to \$85.00

COATS of Poiret, Twills, Silvertone, Fine Quality Serges, Wool Velours, Gaberdines, Repps, etc., at

\$22.50 to \$75.00

DRESSES of Georgette Crepe, Crepe de Chine, Taffetas, Charmeuse, Foulards, etc., at

\$25.00 to \$69.50

BLOUSES of Georgette Crepe, Crepe de Chine, Messaline, Taffetas, and Smart Combination Effects, \$5.00 to \$12.50

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1211 Douglas Street

several officers of H. M. S. Avoca. A very pleasant evening was spent with music, dancing and games, while dainty refreshments were served by the hostess. Among the invited guests were Miss A. Marlowe, Miss L. Nesbitt, Miss J. M. Hartwell, Miss A. David, and Messrs. Hyde, Rome, Gardiner, Saunders and McConie, of the Avoca.

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Ladies' Musical Club Concert Grand Opera Programme

EMPRESS HOTEL BALLROOM, FRIDAY, MARCH 22, 8:30 p. m.

Admission to non-members 35¢. Tickets at Heintzman & Co. Soldiers and Sailors Free.

of narcissi, daffodils, and ferns, combined with green crepe paper, the whole representing the work of Miss Walters. Miss Gillman arranged the menu, which in accordance with the patriotic views of the club, conformed strictly to war-time exigencies. Various toasts were proposed and responded to by several club members, Miss B. Pratt officiating as toast mistress. At the conclusion of the programme was carried out under the direction of Miss Carey, and to which Mrs. Agnew contributed recitations and Mrs. Patterson vocal selections, which were warmly received. A series of games

and contests evoked much laughter. A pleasing feature of the evening was the presentation of a Red Cross life membership to Miss Shaw, the president, as a token of the members' appreciation of her very great interest in the club.

J. L. Skeene, who has been spending some days in the city making preparations to re-open the Sidney Island Brick and Tile Company's plant, returned to Sidney Island on Thursday.

Jelly will not go mouldy if a piece of fresh butter is mixed with it when hot.



SPRUCE BILL AGAIN THOROUGHLY AIRED

Opposition Leader Still Looks Askance at Centralized Authority

CONCERNED ALSO ABOUT THE ABSENTEE OWNERS

Legislative Press Gallery,

March 15.

For some ninety minutes this afternoon the "Spruce Bill" engaged the attention of the House. The Minister of Lands introduced one or two amendments as already referred to in these columns, and before the debate ceased a veritable maze of amendments to amendments had been carefully woven by the Leader of the Opposition, his colleagues. The centre of strife, as in the former discussions on the same Bill, was the amount of authority vested in the Minister and in particular those provisions in the proposed measure which were to permit the Minister of Lands to authorize the entrance upon any lands described in the Minister's permit, "and do all things necessary or convenient for the cutting, removal, and sale of any spruce timber found thereon."

Ferocious Holocaust.

Mr. Pattullo recapitulated his former stand on the subject, defending the centralization of authority, and again informed the House that forty-eight hours after the passing of the Order-in-Council in January last "things were humming." One of the objections of the Leader of the Opposition and the member for Fort George in the matter of equitable payment for logs and compensation for damage, had been effectively dealt with by the amendment definitely fixing the prices as \$6 for No. 1 logs and \$2.50 for No. 2 logs. The Minister said he had a fitting appreciation of the rights of property.

The Bill was left in Committee.

While he acknowledged that claim he was also disposed to contrast the very necessary invasion of the home and the enlistment of a bread winner at a dollar ten a day with the solicitude manifested by Mr. Bowser for the interest of those in possession of timber limits. "Are we going to stand on ceremony when the Empire is faced with the most ferocious holocaust the world has ever known?" exclaimed Mr. Pattullo with a substantial streak of Mr. Bowser's imperialistic fire.

Getting on Well.

Neither was it lost on the Leader of

the Opposition, who described it as "grand Imperialism," conveniently forgetting for the moment his several parades with a figurative flag in both hands and a drum accompaniment, more pronounced perhaps during his pillory of those members who had not openly supported the Union Government. However, Mr. Bowser said the Opposition "was getting on well," since its "advice" had resulted in amendments to the Seed Grain Bill, and now the Spruce Bill had been caught under the amendment spell. Mr. Pattullo injected the information that the prices mentioned had been arrived at by arrangement with the Imperial Munitions Board.

Balderdash.

The only method that would satisfy the Leader of the Opposition was the good old Order-in-Council way and there followed a good deal of balderdash and a total disregard for the wastage of valuable time. Mr. Bowser, however, sought to "force the pace" by commanding to the House the suggestion that the committee rise and drop the matter until Tuesday. His reason for this was a still stout concern for the absentee owner in Seattle, New York or Timbuctoo, because, while the prices fixed between the Board and the Minister might be satisfactory to them, no publicity had been given to it and in the meantime there would be an opportunity for the other party to the transaction to become posted as to what was going on.

Hawthornthwaite's Punch.

Mr. Hawthornthwaite had displayed an obvious fidgetiness at the passing of valuable minutes on camouflage and he came to the defence of the Minister. While admitting that the powers were somewhat extraordinary, so were the times; but if the Empire demanded extraordinary action then it was the duty of the House to see that its action did not become entangled in red tape. Of course, he said, it did not require a magnifying glass to detect Mr. Bowser's defence of the rights of capital. It had to be viewed sensibly, however, because the owners of the timber would be tickled to death to get rid of it at the price in most cases. The Fifth Avenue owner was certainly not contemplating eating the timber. The Minister had to take great responsibilities and the Legislature must assume that he would do the right thing. "But I insist that this House, by reason of the world conditions to-day, grant him the powers he asks," wound up the member for Newcastle amid ministerial cheers.

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DANGEROUS SIDEWALK ON RAILWAY BRIDGE

Johnson Street Bridge Question Again Causes Storm in Civic Committee

Any reference to the Johnson Street Bridge question always seems to cause stir in the Council Chamber and an allusion in the Civic Streets Committee yesterday was no exception to the rule. The occasion was a recommendation to repair the flooring of the footbridge across the Johnson Street Bridge. The Esquimalt & Nanaimo Railway Company claims the responsibility rests with the city under the arrangement of 1909. The Engineer estimated the repairs would cost \$350.

The City Solicitor was sent for, and after reading the correspondence he agreed that the responsibility for maintenance lay with the city.

Alderman Porter pointed out that unless the city kept the footbridge in repair the company might close the bridge.

In answer to a question from Alderman Sangster, the Solicitor gave it as his opinion that the city would be responsible in case of accident.

The Old Trouble.

Alderman Andros expressed the opinion that the Railway Commissioners would never give a decision, and the intimation, which had been received, that the city and Company should get together had never been carried out. "If the Company had been approached in a reasonable way," he proceeded, "the matter would have been settled long ago. I regard the Mayor as the block in this thing, because he is not disposed to make any amicable settlement, while the Company has offered all kinds of settlements to us. Has some one to drown before an arrangement is reached?" The alderman asked what was the good of spending \$250 if the old bridge was to be taken away? The bridge was unfit for railway traffic and would have to be taken away. The matter should be dealt with by a committee and dealt with at once. He claimed the negotiations could be completed in a week if necessary.

An Absurdity.

One of the aldermen suggested the existence of the Johnson Street Bridge Committee, whereupon the answer came that it did not do anything. It was an absurdity to suppose that the Commission would give a ruling under present conditions, Alderman Andros replied.

Alderman Fullerton defended the action of the Council last year and said they were still awaiting a ruling on the main question.

Alderman Walker favored the work being done and a motion recommending that the repairs should be executed at once was carried.

Mayor Todd, being otherwise engaged, did not hear the comments.

Lake Hill Women's Institute—The Lake Hill Women's Institute will hold their usual monthly meeting in the School on Tuesday next, March 19, at 8 o'clock.

A cheap substitute for gum may be made from starch. Buy a pennyworth and pour over enough hot water to make it sufficiently thick to use for clothes. Allow this to cool and pour into bottles.

To-morrow's Services in... The City Churches

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7.30 p.m. Sunday

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Free Lecture

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What Is Holding It Back?

(Fourteen proofs from Our Lord's words that the World has ended)

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DR. MACLEAN Will Preach:
10.30—"God Forbidding Men to Pray."
7.30—"Plowing With An Ox and An Ass."

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ST. COLUMBA, Mitchell and Granton Sts., Oak Bay. Services 11 a.m. and 3 p.m. Subject, morning, "Let Us Play the Man." Evening, "The Responsibility of Life." The pastor, Rev. F. A. P. Chadwick, M.A. 8 a.m.; holy communion; 11 a.m., morning prayer; 2.30 p.m., Sunday school and confirmation class; 7.30 p.m., evening prayer; short organ recital before the evening service.

ST. SAUVEUR'S CHURCH, Victoria W. St., Rev. E. L. Connell rector. Morning prayer and holy communion, 11 a.m.; Sunday school, 2.30; evening prayer, 7 p.m.

ST. MARY'S, Oak Bay. Passion Sunday, 8 a.m.; Easter Sunday, 10 a.m.; services, 7 p.m.; sermon; 7 p.m., evening prayer; short organ recital before the evening service.

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7.30 p.m.—REV. DR. A. M. SANDFORD.

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7.30 p.m.—"The Fact of Christ's Coming."

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DR. T. W. BUTLER will speak. Subject:

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P. M. 7.30.—"A Popular Choice."

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Service at 11 a.m. on "Faith's Victory."

7.30 p.m. at the Dominion Theatre, subject:

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DRASTIC PROGRAMME FOR BRITISH LABOR

Manifesto of Sub-Committee Considered by Vagabonds' Club

FOUR GREAT PILLARS TO PARTY'S STRUCTURE

"Labor and the New Social Order," the proposed reconstruction programme of the British Labor Party prepared by a sub-committee of the executive for the party's consideration, an article which, since its publication some weeks ago has been widely reviewed throughout both Great Britain and the United States, was the subject to which the Vagabonds' Club, an organization numbering in its membership representatives of Parliament, of the clergy, numerous professional men, artisans and laborers, devoted its attention on Thursday evening.

As a proposed programme, "Labor and the New Social Order" is a draft, subject to modifications before adoption as the official platform of the British Labor Party. The importance of the programme, which in itself is drastic in character, can best be judged when it is realized that it has been formulated by one of Great Britain's most powerful parties, a party which, it is said, will contest almost every constituency at the next general election.

Definite Principles.

Preparatory to entering upon the full discussion of social and financial reconstruction, the manifesto of the sub-committee points out that it behoves the Labor Party in formulating its programme after the war and in criticizing various preparations and plans, to look at the problem as a whole. It is important, in the mind of the committee, to make clear that its "detailed practical proposals proceed from definitely held principles."

Dealing with the Labor Party's attitude to present European civilization, the author of the manifesto refers to Count Okuma, one of Japan's ablest statesmen, who declares the present world strife to be the death of European civilization. "We of the Labor party," the writer continues, "can so far agree in this estimate as to recognize in the present world catastrophe, if not the death in Europe of civilization itself, at any rate the culmination and collapse of a distinctive industrial civilization which the workers will not seek to reconstruct. We must insure that what is presently to be built up is a new social order based not on fighting but on fraternity, not on the competitive struggle for the means of bare life but on a deliberately-planned cooperation in production and distribution for the benefit of all who participate by hand or by brain; not on the utmost possible inequality of riches but on a systematic approach towards a healthy equality of material circumstances."

Four Pillars.

Considering the structure which the Labor Party purports to raise, the author sets forth what his committee considers a comprehensive plan for this immediate social rebuilding which any ministry, he feels, whether or not it desires to grapple with the problem, will be driven to undertake. The four great pillars of the new social structure resting upon the common foundation of the democratic control of society in all its activities may be termed: The Universal Enforcement of the National Minimum; The Democratic Control of Industry; The Revolution in National Finance and the Surplus Wealth for the Common Good. Each of these receives intensive treatment by the writer.

National Minimum.

"The first principle of the Labor party," he says, "is the securing to every member of the community in good times and bad alike of all the requisites of healthy life and worthy citizenship." Continuing he sets forth that the proposal is in no way a class one. Such an amount of social protection of the individual, however, poor and lowly from birth to death is indispensable to fruitful co-operation and affords the safeguard against that insidious degradation of the standard of life which, he feels, to be the worst economic and social calamity to which any community can be subjected. The coming industrial dislocation to which the writer refers, which will inevitably follow the discharge from war service of vast armies, imposes new obligations upon the community. The Labor party commits itself to a fixed policy to release first the kinds of labor most urgently required for the revival of peace production. The author opines that the Liberal and Conservative ranks have thus far failed to consider the matter worthy of consideration. The policy protests against dealing with the matter of the returned soldier as a question of charity.

Control of Industry.

"What marks off this party most distinctly is its demand for the full and genuine adoption of the principle of democracy," continues the manifesto. "The first condition of democracy is effective personal freedom. The Labor party declares emphatically against any continuance of the Military Service Acts a moment longer than the imperative requirements of the war excuse. It demands democracy in industry as well as in Government. What the Labor party looks to is a genuinely scientific reorganization of the nation's industry, no longer deflected by individual profiteering." It further stands for immediate nationalization of railways, mines and the production of electrical power and adds that until the nation appropriates the profit-making industrial insurance



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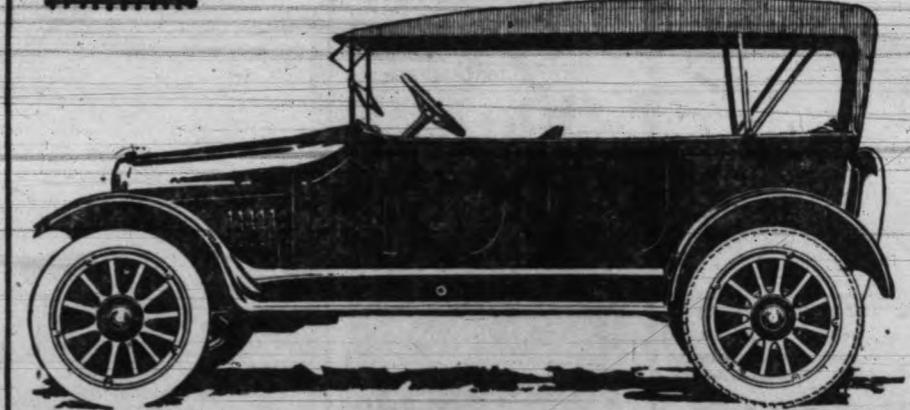
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Revolution of Finance.

The manifesto points out that for too long national finance has been regulated according to the wishes of the possessing classes and the profits of the financiers. "The Labor party stands for such a system of taxation as will yield all the necessary revenue to the Government without encroaching upon the prescribed national minimum standard of life of any family whatsoever, without hampering production or discouraging any useful personal effort and with the nearest possible approximation to equality of sacrifice."

We definitely repudiate," continues the writer, "all proposals for a protective tariff. We hold that indirect taxation on commodities, whether by customs or excise, should be strictly limited to luxuries. For the raising of the greater part of the revenue the Labor party looks to the direct taxation of the incomes above the necessary cost of family maintenance; and, for the requisite effort to pay off the national debt, to the direct taxation of private fortunes, both during life and at death.

"Over this issue of how the financial burden of the war is to be borne," goes on the author, "the Labor party claims the support of four-fifths of the whole nation, for the interests of the clerk, the teacher, the doctor, the minister of religion, the average retail shopkeeper and trader and all the masses of those living on small incomes are identical with those of the artisans."

For the Common Good.

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temperature, maximum yesterday, 50; minimum, 35; calm; rain, 30; cloudy.

Temperature.

	Max. Min.
Kamloops	60 ..
Barkerville	40 ..
Tatooch	52 ..
Portland, Ore.	66 ..
Seattle	62 ..
Penticton	53 ..
Nelson	45 ..
Grand Forks	46 ..
Calgary	56 ..
Edmonton	54 ..
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The WEATHER

Daily Bulletin furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Report.

Victoria, March 16—5 a.m.—The barometer remains abnormally low over Northern B.C. and southerly gales prevail on the coast while heavy rains have occurred on the Lower Mainland. Mild weather is now general from the coast to Manitoba.

Victoria—Barometer, 30.01; temperature, maximum yesterday, 64; minimum, 45; wind, 4 miles N.; rain, 22; cloudy.

Vancouver—Barometer, 30.02; temperature, maximum yesterday, 50; minimum, 42; wind, 8 miles E.; rain, 1.34; raining.

Prince Rupert—Barometer, 30.10; tem-

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Reformed Episcopal Church Ladies' Aid will hold an Easter Sale on Wednesday afternoon, March 20, in Schoolroom, Humboldt Street. Many attractions.

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Public Dance every Saturday evening at Alexandra Ballroom. Ozard's Orchestra. Mrs. Boyd, manager.

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To Speak on Social Evil.—In the First Presbyterian Church on Tuesday evening, Dr. Ernest Hall is to deliver an address on "The Social Evil and its Deteriorating Effect on Child Life." Dr. Raynor and other medical men will also be present to speak on this vitally important subject; and it is anticipated that there will be a big attendance.

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Goes Over Until Tuesday.—The Chinese restaurant case which has occupied considerable time in the City Police Court this week was adjourned yesterday. The hearing will be resumed on Tuesday.

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Shipyards Commission.—It is understood that the carpenter phase of the shipyards dispute will be one of the matters to be gone into at the session of the Commission on Monday, when the official representative of the Carpenters' and Joiners' Association, as well as other witnesses, is expected to give evidence.

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Protection of Cameron Mills.—At the meeting of the Civic Streets Committee yesterday it was stated that the Cameron Lumber Company is installing a steam pump at the mill, Garibaldi Road, for fire protection purposes. Until the work has been finished no action will be taken with regard to the proposal to extend the water mains in order to increase pressure in the district. This request was preferred after the fire last summer, and renews two weeks ago.

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Upper Fort Street.—At the meeting of the Civic Streets Committee yesterday authority was given for temporary repairs to the asphalt on Fort Street, near Belmont Avenue. An application will be made to the B. C. Electric Railway to ascertain if the company would lay new rails should the City undertake a thorough scheme with brick paving, as is done lower down the street. It was stated that the foundation of the rails is unsatisfactory and that they rise and fall with the movement of a car over them.

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Warning Signs at Schools.—The Civic Streets Committee yesterday discussed the question of placing signs in the vicinity of city schools. The proposal had been turned down two weeks before, but in the meantime the Principal of South Park School had offered to have the signs made in the manual training department. Alderman Peden had a verbal inquiry to this end, and the committee decided that the best course would be to have a formal statement in writing as to what was proposed before proceeding with the subject.

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Raises Price of Manure.—Owing to the increasing cost of teaming, the City has found it necessary to raise the price of manure per load from sixty cents to eighty cents in future. This is cost price. When the master was mentioned in the Streets Committee yesterday, Alderman Andrew favored making the price a dollar a load, while Alderman Sargent recommended, in view of the campaign to increase production, that action should be delayed until the fall. The motion to make the price eighty cents per load carried.

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Revenue for Municipalities.—The joint committee which has been preparing a case for presentation to the Provincial Government with reference to revenue for municipalities will hold a final meeting at the Board of Trade rooms at 4 p. m. on Monday, prior to being received by the Executive on the following day.

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Local Wills.—Probate of the will of Henry John Andrews Eyre has been resealed in the Supreme Court Registry, England, and letters of Administration have been issued in the estate of Walter Archer Williscroft, who died at Victoria.

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Grand Lodge A. O. U. W.—The election of the Grand Lodge Officers of the A. O. U. W. of British Columbia, here yesterday resulted as follows:

P. G. M. W., Bro. C. T. Wriggsworth, Victoria; G. M. W., Bro. R. H. Macaulay, Vancouver; G. F. Bro. E. Pope, Port Hammond; G. O. Bro. F. N. E. Shakespeare, Victoria; G. Sec. J. T. McMillan, Victoria; G. Treas. Bro. Wm. Seawright, Victoria; G. Med. Ex. Bro. Dr. de Wolf Smith, New Westminster; G. Trustee, Bro. Geo. Adams, Vernon; committee on finance, Bro. Stewart, Davy and Cashmore, Victoria; committee on laws, Bro. Devine, Evelyn and Budlong, Vancouver; committee on insurance and rates, Bro. Devine, Anderson, Vancouver, and Bro. Minthorn, New Westminster; representatives to Supreme Lodge, Bro. Dr. A. A. King, Ladner; alternate, H. T. Devine, Vancouver.

On Tuesday next Mr. Campbell will address the Rotary Club of Vancouver.

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Agricultural Food Production Committee.—The Minister of Agriculture will receive a delegation from the Agricultural Food Production Committee of the Board of Trade on Wednesday at 10 a. m., when the delegation will present the resolution adopted at their last meeting asking the Government to commandeer uncultivated lands.

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The Fifth Regt. Band

will present the following programme assisted by J. Deane Wells in Vocal selections, in the Royal Victoria Theatre.

Sunday Evening,

Commencing at 8:45 p. m.

March—The Cossack Rimmer

Overture—Calif of Bagdad Boieldieu

Vocal Solo—Irish Love Song J. Deane Wells

Grand Selection—Songs of Ireland Douglas

Caucasian Sketches—(a) Danse Orientale (b) Cortège du Sardar.

Euphonium Solo—When the Great Red

Dragon Shines Sharp

Vocal Solo—God Send Him, Safely Back

to Me J. Deane Wells.

Chorus—Comrades in Arms Adolph Adams

Selection—China Ching Caryl

God Save the King G. W. J. Smith

Conductor: Bandmaster W. J. Smith

Accompanist: Mrs. A. J. Gibson.

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Rev. Ben. Spence Summoned.—The Toronto police yesterday seized two hundred copies of the banned Canadian edition of "The Parasite," the joint work of Arthur Mees and Rev. Ben. Spence, secretary of the Ontario branch of the Dominion Alliance. Mr. Spence is well-known in Victoria. The books were seized at his residence at Toronto, and he was later served with a summons to appear in the Police Court Tuesday next on a charge of having the books in his possession, contrary to censorship orders. The book was put under the ban in Canada some time ago. Mr. Spence had several thousand of the Canadian edition printed, and 10,000 of these are still under seal of the Dominion Gov-

ernment at the Methodist Book Room.

Mr. Spence recently appealed to the censor at Ottawa in vain for the removal of the ban.

IRISH CONCERT

Local Artists Gave Fine Programmes Before Big Audience at Victoria West Last Night.

A packed house greeted the members of St. Paul's Presbyterian Church last night when they presented their Irish and Scottish programme in Semple's Hall, Victoria West. Rev. Dr. McLean occupied the chair.

The programme commenced with an address on St. Patrick, by J. G. Brown, followed by numbers by the choir and soloists, every one of which was thoroughly enjoyed. Mr. Fairley's solos were perhaps the gems of this part of the programme, although Mrs. Beasley's and Mrs. Butler's songs were both much appreciated. The selections of Irish airs by W. Bryce were artistically rendered, a solo and chorus by Miss Peattie and choir was nicely sung, and the humorous stories, etc., etc., by Mr. Semple kept the audience in good humor.

The second part of the programme was devoted to Scottish song and story and the choruses in this part could not be improved upon. Miss Wallace with her spirited rendering of bagpipe solos stirred the audience to marked enthusiasm. Mr. Walker amused the audience with his droll rendering of the story "Deon of the Water." Mr. Hayes' Scottish selections on the violin proved a great attraction. Mr. Brown's Scottish songs were much enjoyed, and he was warmly encored. Much credit for the success of the entertainment was due to Mrs. Lewis Hall, who had charge of the programme and general arrangements, and also made an efficient accompanist.

SUCCESSFUL EVENT

James Bay Branch Nets About \$100 as Result of Silver Tea.

As the result of the very successful silver tea and sale-of-work held at the James Bay branch of the Red Cross yesterday afternoon, the funds of that branch will be augmented by about one hundred dollars.

Mrs. Wilkinson, the convener, welcomed the guests and Mr. Landsberg, the treasurer, officiated as master of the ceremonies.

Mrs. R. Chadwick and Mrs. McDonald had an attractive flower table, and Mrs. Dallin and Mrs. Charleworth found ready buyers for their stock of home-cooked dainties. Mrs. Lewthwaite and Mrs. White dispensed delectable candies, and Mrs. Warlock and Mrs. Anthony conducted the raffle table. Delightful refreshments were served by the tea committee, numbering Mrs. Howard Chapman, Mrs. John Hall, Mrs. Thomas, Miss Adams, Mrs. MacDougall, Misses Emily Elworthy and Violet Fowkes. Mrs. Cameron had charge of the silver shower. Mrs. Herbert Pendray distributed novelties from her wonderful hundred-pocket dress.

A number of raffles were conducted during the afternoon and won by the following: Mrs. O'Copus, Mrs. Wilson, of Michigan Street; H. Brown, Mrs. Thomas, Mrs. Doble, Mrs. Butler, Mrs. Wilson, of Government Street; Mrs. Fowkes, Mrs. Shepherd, Mrs. W. M. Gardner and Mrs. Broderick while Mrs. Mood won a guessing contest.

During the afternoon Mrs. F. A. McDermid, president of the Women's Canadian Club, gave a talk outlining the club's scheme for forming community canning clubs, and on the motion of Dr. Helen Ryan, it was decided to organize a committee to further the movement in James Bay.

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LEAVES THE CITY

H. B. Campbell, of Halifax School for Blind, Expresses Appreciation of Reception.

DO IT of VICTORIA THE NORTHWEST AND THE WORLD

WILLARD-FULTON GO NOW LOOKS CERTAIN

Battle Will Be Over the Long Distance Route; Place Not Settled

Kansas City, March 16.—Jess Willard, heavyweight pugilistic champion, and Fred Fulton, of Rochester, Minn., aspirant to the title, will meet in the ring July 4, Col. J. M. Miller, of Oklahoma, promoter, announced here last night. Col. Miller said that Fulton had been guaranteed \$20,000, and that there would be a side bet of \$5,000.

Miller and Colling each deposited cheques for \$1,000, it was announced, as earnest money.

The Fulton-Willard match, Colonel Miller said, would automatically cancel the proposed bout between Fulton and Jack Dempsey at Atlantic City, N. J., part of the agreement being that Fulton would not fight again until he meets Willard.

"We propose to hold the fight whenever the law allows a long bout," Col. Miller said. "We feel that it should be not less than twenty rounds. Willard has told me he is willing to fight to a finish."

At the conference on April 1, in addition to choosing the place for holding the match and determining its length, the officials also will be chosen, Col. Miller said.

Fulton was picked as Willard's opponent for the championship bout because he knocked out Frank Moran a few weeks ago in New Orleans, Col. Miller said. He declared that Fulton virtually had been promised a chance to meet the champion if he would stop Moran. Willard, he said, thought that the man who could stop Moran in four rounds was entitled to a chance at the championship.

Y. M. C. A. BASKETBALL TEAM DEFEATED WESTS IN GAME LAST NIGHT

A basketball game between the Y. M. C. A. and the Victoria West team of the New Brotherhood was played last evening on the floor of the Victoria West Athletic Association gymnasium. As was expected, the Y. M. C. A. quintette was able to carry off the honors with a fairly wide margin, the score being forty-eight to sixteen.

The teams line up as follows:

Y. M. C. A.—Clemente, Sergt. Grant, T. Nute, Archie and Angus McKinnon, Victoria Wests—G. Corkle, C. Brown, S. McKay, C. Fairall, Stanley Ross.

The Y. M. C. A. boys proved a little too fast for the veterans, whose limbs were not limbered up to the degree enjoyed by their opponents. With a little practice, however, the Wests expect to give their rivals a hard struggle in the near future.

CONNIE MACK MAKES ANNOUNCEMENT OF PHILADELPHIA TEAM

Philadelphia, March 16.—Connie Mack, manager of the Philadelphia Athletics, last night announced the list of players from which he will build his team this year. The surprise in the list is the re-appearance of Rube Oldring, who was a member of the Athletics when they were the world champions. He quit baseball several years ago and engaged in farming in South New Jersey. The list is as follows:

Pitchers—Elmer Myers, Vean Gregg, William Adams, John Watson, Frank Fahey, Robert Geary, Joseph Hauser.

Catchers—James McAvoy, Forest Cady, Ralph Perkins.

Infielders—George Burns, Morris Shannon, Joseph Dugan, Larry Gardner, James Dykes, C. B. Davidson.

Outfielders—Charles Jamieson, Clarence Walker, Rube Oldring, Martin Kopp.

OAK BAY RED CROSS POSTPONES SCHOOL SPORTS TILL JULY

The big sporting event of Victoria Day will be the Red Cross track and field meet at the Royal Athletic Park.

The statement was made this morning that the Oak Bay Branch of the local Red Cross Society had decided to postpone the school sports, which were to have been held at the Oak Bay ball park until July 1. This will make possible a concentration of effort on the event at the Royal Athletic.

Victorians will recall the successful sports held at the Royal Athletic Park last year. The committees undertaking the work of organization have already entered upon their activities.

SAILOR TEAMS PLAY AT ROYAL ATHLETIC

This afternoon two teams of H. M. Cruiser now in port will do battle on the soccer field of the Royal Athletic Park. The engine room department has decided to tackle the rest of the ship.

The teams chosen are as follow:

Engineroom Department—Priest; Mays and Bray; Wolf, Collandane and Emery; McCarthy, A. N. Other, Henry, Hooper and Briggs. Reserves, Hillyer and Weeks.

Rest of Ship—Crisp, Manshett, and Thompson; Hewson, Thompson and Pelling; Haughay, Bryder, Whelan, West and Bain.

BASKETBALL BUG MAKES INROADS AT LOCAL CAMP

No. 1 Company Takes Rival No. 3 Over Course to Defeat at Willows

It appears that soccer has nothing on the basketball bug which has taken possession of the Willows Camp. When a battalion of men are confined within the narrow limits of a camp for any length of time surplus energy may be restrained for a time, but there comes the inevitable period when an outlet must be found. This time it looks like a general overflow.

Last evening the great sports pavilion at the Willows was packed with practically every man the camp could muster. The 2nd Depot Battalion numbering four strong companies has organized for a war of basketball and a heated action took place last evening.

Wagering was pretty heavy from both sides of the line, but as is not infrequently the case, prophesied proved false. The match was between Number One Company and its rival Number Three, the former winning by a score of 14-8.

For some days Number Three had been regarded in camp circles as the brilliant squad. In fact their conquests had been such that terror had been carried, it was thought, to the very heart of all opponents. Last evening, however, the pride of Number Three received a crushing blow when Number One carried victory to the centre of the enemy's camp. With the start of the game things looked promising for the favored quintette, but fortune decreed that events should take a different course, when the premier company demolished completely the efforts of their opponents. From that moment the result of the game was never a matter of doubt. The winners piled on the points until at the close of the first period the score stood at 8-0 favoring Number One.

The second period started on the high gear, but despite all efforts of Number Three it was unable to grapple with the aggressively enemy. After obtaining a lead of fourteen points the leaders slowed up and Number Three scored eight points. Last night's victory makes the second that Number One has tucked away. As the club now has only to meet Number Two, which was overwhelmed by last night's losers Number One's chances of annexing the lead look very bright.

SEATTLE FOOTBALL MEN LOOK FOR WIN

Local Navy Soccerists Arrived at Sound City Last Evening

Seattle, March 16.—The soccer team of the British battleship H. M. S. Rainbow will oppose an all-star Seattle eleven at Liberty park to-morrow afternoon. A hard game is expected, as the visitors have a long string of victories to their credit.

Game Was Postponed.

This game was scheduled for last Sunday, but a slight outbreak of measles in Victoria, B. C., where the Rainbow is now stationed, caused a postponement. The sailor boys arrived here last night and are guests at the Georgian Hotel, where they will stay until Sunday night. They will visit the United States naval station at the university campus and also the shipyards to-day.

The team selected to do duty for Seattle is a crackjack, and local soccerists will be surprised if the Canadians score a victory to-morrow.

Mair to Referee.

Johnnie Mair, a well-known figure in Northwest soccer circles, has been chosen to officials as referee and he will start the teams off at 2:15 sharp.

The entire proceeds will be donated equally between the Seattle and the Victoria Red Cross Associations.

The Seattle lineup will be as follows:

Traber, McGrath, Daly, Owens, Weir (capt.), J. McLean, Horsley, McMillan, O'Farrell, O'Donnell, Douglas, Reserves: Clark, goal; Ollerton, back; R. McLean, half-back; Carmichael, forward.

FURTHER GAMES PLAYED IN EMPRESS HANDICAP

The following games were decided last evening in the new billiard handicap at the Empress Hotel:

Irish (owes 175) beat Humber (receives 25) by 33 points. Irish made a number of useful breaks, including 57, 45, 41, four 39's and numerous 29's.

Smith (owes 100) beat Murray (owes 40) by 70 points. Smith's best break was 24 and Murray's 25.

Frost (owes 25) beat Robertson by 106 points. Frost made a nice break of 48 unfinished and Robertson's best was 21.

REFEREE'S DECISION.

New Haven, Conn., March 16.—Phil Bloom, of Brooklyn, N. Y., was awarded the referee's decision over Johnny Martin, of this city, at the end of a twelve-round bout here last night.

GREAT RUGBY PLAYER TO JOIN THE FLYERS

"Jim" Wylie, Former All-Black, Has Great Sporting Record

Vancouver, March 16.—"Jim" Wylie, one of the most famous rugby footballers in the world, left the city yesterday for the East, where he is to take up the training course of the Royal Flying Corps. He has been in the city the past three days, having come up from California and has been the guest of Reggie Woodward.

Wylie sacrificed for a song a fine ranch he had in California so that he could enter the Royal Flying Corps without delay, having been told by the American authorities, with whom he was in negotiation for six months, that he could not join an American unit as he had not completed his naturalization papers.

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Few men are better known in rugby circles than Wylie. He has the reputation of being the finest forward that has ever played the game. He first came to the Pacific Coast as a member of the famous All-Blacks team of Australia, and remained in California after that team returned home, entering Stanford University and taking a mining engineer's course. While with Stanford University, Wylie for two years led his team to victory in the fight for the California varsity championship.

Wylie has the rare distinction of having won his first international cap as a footballer in New Zealand when he was eighteen years old. Not only that, but he won three more international caps playing with Australian teams. Besides that he was a grand oarsman and rowed seven and four with representative Sydney teams. Besides having played with the All-Blacks he has played with the Wallabies.

All Vancouver sportsmen who have met Wylie speak in highest terms of him as an athlete and a man and best wishes will follow him from a host of Pacific Coast friends in the bigger game he is now about to enter.

CASEY OFFERS TROPHY FOR INTERNATIONAL AMATEUR ICE TITLE

Montreal, March 16.—A trophy to be emblematic of the championship of amateur hockey in the United States and Canada has been donated by John F. Casey, of Pittsburg. He has nominated as trustees of the trophy Art Ross, of Montreal; J. Fellow, of New York, and Roy Schooley, of Pittsburg.

Mr. Ross is willing to accept the trophy trusteeship on the condition that the trophy, so far as Canada is concerned, shall only be competed for by winners of the Art Ross cup, which he considers should remain in this country and be held by the champion amateur team of the Dominion.

The first games for the new trophy probably will be played this spring at Pittsburgh, between a Montreal team and a club from the United States.

PROSPECTS FOR LEAGUE TO REPLACE DEFUNCT INTERNATIONAL BRIGHT

Toronto, March 16.—It was stated here last night on the authority of people quite close to the owners of the Toronto Ball Club that the formation of a six-team league to replace the defunct International League is now practically assured. The cities named as likely to be represented in the new league—the name of which has not been settled—are as follows: Buffalo, Toronto, Baltimore, Newark, Jersey City and Rochester.

OFFICER TOOK SOME TALL PERSUADING

London, March 16.—The manner in which sport plays a part in the training of Canadian troops here is interestingly described by a Canadian soldier-sportsman, who writes in the Sporting Life:

"It is no exaggeration to say," he observes, "that out of the first 30,000 who left Canada's shores in the autumn of 1914, more than half were active participants in one form or other of Canada's sporting pastimes. The writer well remembers the look of horror which suffused the features of a C. O. at a Canadian training school—a well-meaning and thoroughly conscientious officer—when the schedule of training was submitted for approval, and which included in the proposed curriculum, baseball, 4 to 5 p.m., Tuesday and Friday; football, 3 to 5, Wednesday and Saturday.

The worthy C. O., a studious commandant, thoroughly in sympathy with the welfare of the men in his command, a strict martinet for military etiquette and discipline, took some little convincing before the "innovation," as he termed it, was sanctioned.

TITLE UNSETTLED.

Oshawa, Ont., March 16.—Still unsettled is the intermediate championship of the O. H. A. after the second game of the finale here last night between Collingwood and Oshawa. The locals made a comeback and blanked the Collingwood puck chasers with three goals, making it four to four on the round. It is understood that the teams will play off in Toronto. Lawson Whitehead, of Toronto, was referee.

PRESBYTERIAN TEAM TO PLAY ALL-STARS

Duncan and Chemainus Ladies Unite Against Local Champions

Girls' Basketball Team Atones for Past Defeats; Portia Society Hears Short Addresses; Student Body Works for Patriotic Fund of School.

The Presbyterian Ladies' basketball team is again on the warpath. The club is in receipt of a challenge from an all-star aggregation representing Duncan and Chemainus and has set forth to do battle this evening with the inlanders. That the game will be lively is certain.

The Presbyterian Ladies have a great reputation to uphold. So far this season the team has not lost a game and the players from the Island bays are determined to break this record. Only a couple of weeks ago the locals defeated the Duncan team and are thus confident of success in their present enterprise.

The game was characterized throughout by vigorous, almost rough checking, and an absence of finesse and team work. Again and again the Victoria quintette would end a splendid rush with a poor shot, and at other times whole volleys would miss the basket. However, at half time the local girls had gained a lead of three points. During the latter part of the tussle Oak Bay rallied, and the issue seemed doubtful for many minutes. But the V. H. S. team made up in defense what it lacked in shooting, and its checking was so close that when the final whistle blew Oak Bay had failed to equalize accounts.

Played Normal School.

Before a large crowd of enthusiastic spectators the girls' basketball team of the V. H. S. went down to defeat the hands of the Normal School quintette in a fast game played on the local floor last Wednesday. Although both teams were in good trim, and most of the playing centred around the High School basket, the Normal girls who were performing on a strange gymnasium, proved themselves the better shots. The home team showed deplorable weakness in this respect, due, doubtless, to a lack of practise, and, in spite of their hard checking, when time was called, they were four points behind their opponents, the final score being nine to five.

Portia Society.

At the Portia meeting on Wednesday short speeches were the order of the day.

The Junior Swimming Club is noted for its pep and promptitude in the promotion of galas, and it is anticipated the coming one will measure up to the standards of those held in the past.

present holders of the trophy. The members of the Vancouver teams are: King Edward, D. Baker, W. Wrinch, J. Shire and E. C. Chapman; King George, G. H. Scott, L. Tracy and E. Woodburn; South Vancouver, S. Gale, F. Nelson, H. Gunning and C. H. Sing.

AUGIE KIECKHEFER IS STILL WORLD'S THREE CUSHION TITLEHOLDER

Chicago, March 16.—Augie Kieckhefer, of Chicago, retained his title as world's three-cushion billiard champion by defeating Robert Cannefax, of St. Louis, 51 to 42, in last night's play, giving him a total of 150 for the three nights' play, against Cannefax's 142. Kieckhefer, led by 18 points at one time, but Cannefax had a brilliant spurt come within four points of catching him. To-night's block went 64 innings.

SIX-MAN HOCKEY FOR AMATEUR GAME WILL BE DOMINION RULE

Toronto, March 16.—The officials of the Manitoba and Saskatchewan hockey associations who were present at the Allen Cup series played in Toronto, declared they were through with seven-man hockey for all time to come.

They are thoroughly convinced that the six-man game is the superior and that three twenty-minute periods provide better hockey than two thirty-minute halves. The Canadian Amateur Hockey Association has decided to provide uniform rules for the whole Dominion for next year on the basis of six-man hockey.

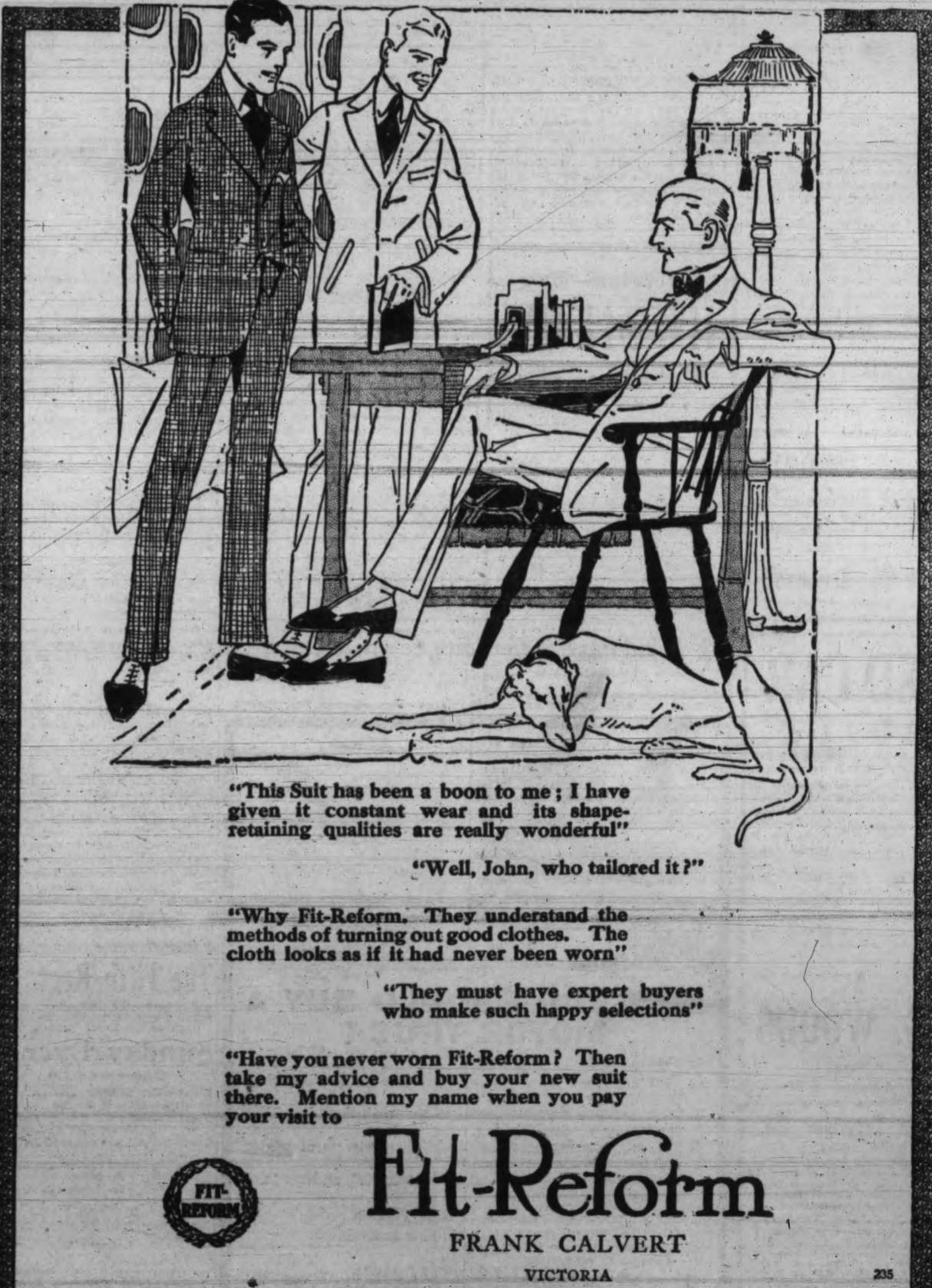
PLAY GREAT HOCKEY.

Cleveland, Ohio, March 16.—Playing the brand of hockey that Cleveland sometimes reads about, but seldom sees, the Dentals of Toronto, 1917, Canadian amateur hockey champions, last night smashed the winning streak of the Cleveland team, and in a great exhibition were victorious by a score of four to one.

IN PUGILISTIC ANNALES.

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N. Y. K. Fleet

Making the fifth of the half dozen crack vessels of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha fleet to be pressed into the trans-Pacific service, the Japanese steamship *Atsuta Maru*, of 15,900 tons displacement, reached port this morning on her initial voyage in this trade.

The *Atsuta Maru* is one of a fleet of five steamships which preceded the *Fusunji* and *Katori* type in the N. Y. K. service between Japan and Europe, the others being the *Kamo*, *Hirano*, *Mishima* and *Kitano*. She is a vessel of 7,974 gross and 4,962 net tons, with a length of 483 feet. She has accommodation for eight-thirteen first-class passengers, twenty-eight in the second cabin and 206 in the steerage quarters. Her speed is seventeen knots.

Favorable Passage.

The *Atsuta Maru*, which is commanded by Capt. K. Inadzu, who has previously seen service on this route, crossed from Yokohama in fifteen days and with the exception of a couple of moderate gales, experienced a favorable passage.

While not to be compared with the magnificent passenger vessels that have been seen here under the N. Y. K. houseflag, the *Atsuta Maru* is equipped with fine passenger quarters on three decks, and furthermore she is a splendid cargo carrier. The *Kamo Maru* her sister ship, is scheduled to follow the *Atsuta* from Japan.

Oriental Cargo.

The liner brought in 7,000 tons of general Oriental cargo, including 2,811 bales of raw silk, the latter shipment being valued at about \$2,000,000. She is discharging 572 tons of freight at this port.

The Passengers.

Of the 166 passengers carried by the *Atsuta*, fifty-six disembarked here, the remainder being routed to Seattle. W. Nicolle, business man, who has spent several years in Japan, is on his way to the United States.

Representing the Japanese Department of Agriculture and Commerce, T. Goh was also a through passenger aboard the liner. His mission, which has to do with the purchase of supplies, will take him as far as London.

WIRELESS REPORTS

8 a.m., March 16.

Point Grey—Overcast; S. E. fresh; 29.94; 44; sea moderate.

Cape Lazo—Rain; S. E. fresh; 29.84; 42; sea moderate.

Pachena—Rain, S. E.; 29.84; 47; sea rough.

Alert Bay—Rain; S. E. light; 29.48; 41; sea rough.

Triangle—Overcast; S. E. light; 29.70; 45; sea rough. Spoke str Prince George, 9:50 p. m., off Pine Island, southbound; spoke str Princess Beatrice, 10:30 p. m., Queen Charlotte Sound, northbound; spoke str Princess Maquinna, 10:40 p. m., off Reef Point, southbound; spoke str Princess Ena, 2:45 a. m., off Ivory Island, southbound.

Dead Tree Point—Rain; calm; 29.59; 36; sea smooth.

Ikeda Bay—Rain; S. E.; 29.08; 39; sea moderate.

Prince Rupert—Rain; calm; 29.42; 45; sea smooth.

Noon.

Point Grey—Overcast; S. E. light; 29.95; 50; sea smooth.

Cape Lazo—Rain; S. E. fresh; 29.82; 44; sea moderate. Spoke str Venture, becam Ivory Island, southbound.

Pachena—Rain; S. E., strong; 29.83; 49; sea rough. Spoke str Tees 9 a.m. off Sechart, northbound.

Estevan—Rain; S. E. fresh; 29.55; 43; sea rough.

Alert Bay—Rain; S. E. light; 29.48; 43; sea smooth.

Triangle—Rain; S. E. light; 29.70; 45; sea moderate. Spoke str Camosun, 10:30 a.m., off Bella Bella, 10 a.m., southbound.

Dead Tree Point—Overcast; N. E. light; 29.58; 48; sea smooth.

Ikeda Bay—Rain, S. E.; 29.08; 42; sea moderate.

Prince Rupert—Overcast; S. E.; 29.40; 46; sea smooth.

Equal parts of lard and mustard mixed together make a good ointment for chilblains.

**Guardians of the Deep
Warn Seamen of Danger**

In Solidity of Construction and Range of Visibility the Lighthouses of British Columbia Compare With World's Greatest Marine Sentinels

Even the layman can imagine how anxiously, as he approaches nearer the shore, the captain gazes out over the dark stormy waves to catch the first gleam of a lighthouse or if the ocean is covered with fog or mist, listens intently for the welcome though dismal note of the fog-alarm.

When the light, or sound, is located, or as navigators express it "picked up," the captain takes his bearings from it, to the next aid to navigation, and then to the next, and so on until he reaches in safety, the haven of his journey's end.

Oldest of Shore Alts.

Of all shore aids for guiding seamen, the lighthouse is probably the oldest. Their establishment dating from the time when man first ventured on the deep. One of the earliest lighthouses on record was built on the Hellespont, and as one old historian describes it, was in the form of a man with one leg planted on each side of the channel, and ships sailed between its spread legs. This description is to say the least doubtful. The most ancient lighthouse of which any definite data is available was the Pharos of Alexandria. This immense structure was 400 feet high square in shape, and was built about 331 B. C., and probably showed a flaring glare to sea from that date until it disappeared about 1270 A. D.

The oldest lighthouse still being used as such is at Corruña, near Cape Finisterre. When this tower was erected is not definitely known. Some authorities state it was constructed during the time the Phoenicians were trading along the coast of Spain and France. Other historians claim it was built by command of the Roman Emperor Trajan. The construction of this lighthouse is an example of how good works often outlive the builder, for centuries its friendly beam has proven the guiding star for many ships long after the builder has been forgotten.

First on This Continent.

The first lighthouse on the American continent was erected in 1716 on



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the horizon with beams of 43,000,000 candle power, evidently the Germans recognized the military advantages of such a light at this fortified submarine base, and had other reasons besides the guiding of peaceful shipping when it was decided to erect it. The second most powerful lights number eleven, all approximately the same candle power and situated a follows:

Bishop Rock, Spurn Point, and Round Island in England; Flase Island, and Sule Skerry in Scotland; Bull Rock and Tory Island in Ireland; Cap d'Antifer in France; Pei Yu Shan in China; Manora Point in India and Cape Race erected and maintained by the Canadian Government in Newfoundland. Following in order of power the balance of lighthouses are classified internationally from the 1st to the 7th orders, examples of all of these are found in our local waters of the Germans it would be a great calamity for the Entente. Evidently the Japanese government is watching the situation very closely.

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When Mr. Anesaki left the Far East it was rumored that Japan had a certain number of divisions prepared should intervention be necessary.

Constitutional Government.

At the present time in Japan, says

Mr. Anesaki, there is an agitation

for a more constitutional form of gov-

ernment, the idea being to have the

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Suffrage.

The suffrage question is an impor-

tant one in Japan at this period. Less

than half of the total male population

in Japan have a vote. The advocates of

universal suffrage in Japan at the pre-

sent time may be a negligible quantity,

but the voice in that direction is being

raised more and more."

After attending the convention at

Berkeley, Mr. Anesaki will pay a visit

to Harvard in order to see his old col-

lege friends under war conditions. He

says that a large number of the stu-

dents that were with him at Harvard

two years ago, have now either gone

to the front, or are in training. He

proposes to return to Japan in about

five weeks.

When washing stone steps in frosty

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water. This will prevent the steps from

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LIGHT AT TRIANGLE ISLAND

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**EXPECTS JAPAN
TO INTERVENE**

Professor Anesaki, of Tokio University, Says Subjects of Nippon Must Be Protected

**BAN IS NOW PLACED
ON RUSSIAN TRAVEL**

Last of Transient Slavs Reached Here To-day on Japanese Liner

The ban has been placed on Russian emigrants.

Until the termination of the war, or such time as it is considered expedient to raise the embargo, the picturesqueness native of the Russian Empire will be a minus quantity on the ocean liners plying between the Orient and the North Pacific coast.

Russian travel has flourished on the Pacific ever since Kerensky upset things in Russia, when political refugees boarded outbound steamships in droves eager to get back to the country from which they had been exiled during the regime of the Czar. It remained for California to attend the 50th anniversary celebration of the foundation of the Berkeley University, in connection with which will be held a conference on International relations.

He has a wide knowledge of American affairs, having been professor of Japanese literature at Harvard University from 1913 to 1915. "Japan, as a matter of course, is practically bound to step in now," remarked Mr. Anesaki while discussing the latest phase in the complex Russian situation.

War Supplies.

"Most probably the Germans, or the Bolsheviks, will attempt to make use of the vast supplies of war material that is scattered along the route of the trans-Siberian railroad contiguous to Vladivostok, and in that case the Allies must take charge there to prevent such a possibility."

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Russian Refugees.

There are thousands of Russian refugees in Japan whose hopes of reaching this continent have been shattered. Thousands of others, many of them wealthy people, are scattered among the big centres along the trans-Siberian railroad in Manchuria, especially in the vicinity of Harbin, all of whom were doubtless looking toward the North American continent as a haven of refuge. With such a vast population anxious to get as far away from Russia as possible it would seem incredible that anyone already on this soil would be eager to go to a country which is in the grip of anarchy.

Seeking Passage.

But the fact remains that many Russians have been, and are even now, seeking passage through local steamship agencies with the object of returning to Russia.

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THE DAUGHTERS OF FITZGEORGE will hold a whist drive on Monday, March 18th, in the K. of C. Hall, Fort St., at 8.15.

Prices of coffee, sugar and tea, £1.50; a choice of meat, £1.50; Admission, £1.50.

FREE LECTURE, ILLUSTRATED by lantern slides, by Dr. Ernest Hall, at the Schoolroom, First Presbyterian Church, 8 p.m. on Tuesday, 19th March. Look for the lecture in the Victoria Standard. Price, 25c.

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WHIST DRIVE will be held by the Patriotic Sisters in K. of P. Hall, North Victoria Park St. Thursday evening, March 21, for charitable purposes. Admission, £1.50.

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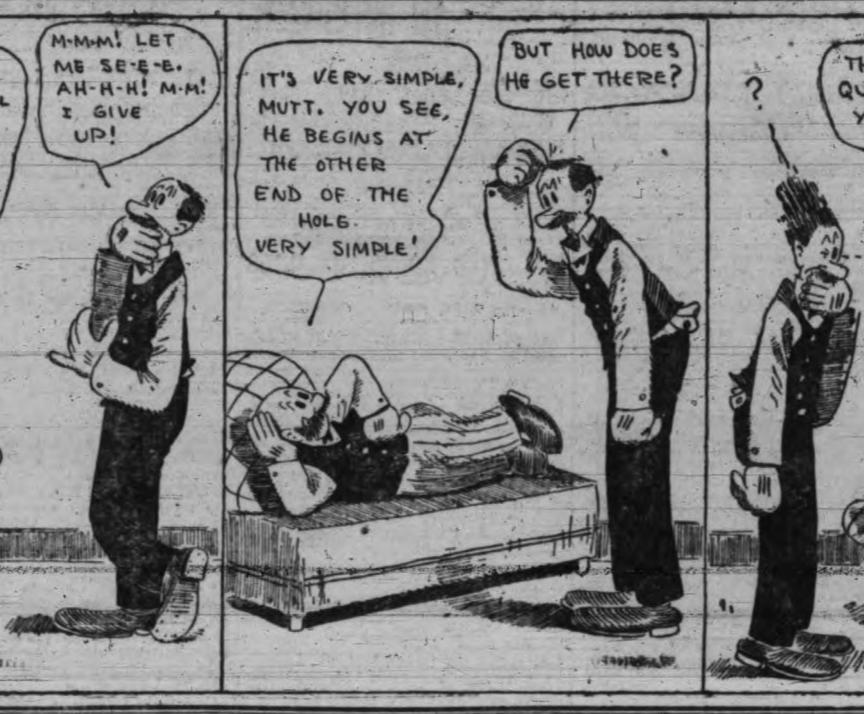
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Even the layman can imagine how anxiously, as he approaches nearer the shore, the captain gazes out over the dark stormy waves to catch the first gleam of a lighthouse or if the ocean is covered with fog or mist, listens intently for the welcome though dismal note of the fog alarm.

When the light, or sound, is located, or as navigators express it "picked up," the captain takes his bearings from it, to the next aid to navigation, and then to the next, and so on until he reaches in safety, the haven of his journeys end.

Oldest of Shore Alts.

Of all shore aids for guiding seamen, the lighthouse is probably the oldest. Their establishment dating from the time when man first ventured on the deep. One of the earliest lighthouses on record was built on the Hellestos, and as one old historian describes it, was in the form of a man with one leg planted on each side of the channel, and ships sailed between its spread legs. This description is to say the least doubtful. The most ancient lighthouse of which any definite date is available was the Pharos of Alexandria. This immense structure was 400 feet high square in shape, and was built about 331 B. C., and probably showed a flaring glare to sea from that date until it disappeared about 1270 A. D.

The oldest lighthouse still being used as such is at Corruine, near Cape Finisterre. When this tower was erected is not definitely known. Some authorities state it was constructed during the time the Phoenicians were trading along the coast of Spain and France. Other historians claim it was built by command of the Roman Emperor Trajan. The construction of this lighthouse is an example of how good works often outlive the builder, for centuries its friendly beam has proven the guiding star for many ships, long after the builder has been forgotten.

First on This Continent.

The first lighthouse on the American Continent was erected in 1716 on



CUT GLASS LENS

This lens is nine feet in diameter and ten feet high. Level with the man's head in the basin containing mercury which floats the lens.

Little Brewster Island, near Boston, and no doubt proved a great benefit to the thrifty merchants of Boston at that time.

In the early days, and in fact up to a little over a hundred years ago, it was the custom to illuminate all light-stations by the crude method of burning fires of wood or coal in iron cages or braziers on top of the tower. Later this method was improved by substituting candles, then later by oil lamps, which are still the standard, in improved forms to this day. Another early improvement in lighting apparatus was the use of reflectors of polished metal to divert the light beams towards the water where they are required. Reflectors of improved forms are still used in harbor and other small light-houses where great power is not required.

Cut Glass Lens.

In 1822 the first cut glass lens was used for magnifying the light beams, it was an invention of a French lighthouse engineer named Fresnel, and France was the first country to adopt his idea. The Fresnel type of lens is now the standard all over the world. It resembles a gigantic cut glass beehive, and is quite a beautiful work of art when viewed closely, especially at night when revolving with a bright light inside.

The largest size lens in the world measures approximately nine feet in diameter by ten feet high and weighs about ten tons. To revolve this immense weight continually would require great power, but for a method that allows for the entire weight of both the lens and the supporting cast iron platform, to float in mercury or quicksilver similar to the floating of a block of wood in a tub of water. This ingenious arrangement reduces the friction of continuous revolving to a minimum so that the pressure of a finger tip is sufficient to set the whole apparatus in motion. The general motive power used is the energy of a dropping weight as universally used in operating large city clocks.

Most Powerful Lights.

The most powerful lighthouse in the world is in Heligoland, which lights



FISGUARD LIGHT

the horizon with beams of 43,000,000 candle power, evidently the Germans recognized the military advantages of such a light at this fortified submarine base, and had other reasons besides the guiding of peaceful shipping when it was decided to erect it. The second most powerful light is number eleven, all approximately the same candle power and situated as follows:

Bishop Rock, Spurn Point, and Round Island in England; Faise Island, and Sule Skerry in Scotland; Bull Rock and Tony Island in Ireland; Cap d'Antifer in France; Pei Yu Shan in China; Manora Point in India, and Cape Race erected and maintained by the Canadian Government in Newfoundland. Following in order of power the balance of lighthouses are classified internationally from the 1st to the 7th orders, examples of all of these are found in our local waters of the Pacific Coast.

Continuous Watch.

The universal regulations in the lighthouse service throughout the world are that where a revolving light is shown an attendant must be on watch through all the hours of darkness, so if trouble with the lighting apparatus should occur, it may be rectified with the least possible delay. Thus mariners may be assured that their interests are safeguarded, and after crossing a long expanse of ocean, they approach the shores, they can depend that the welcoming beams are continually being cast to greet them on arrival, and thus the ever constant gleaming lights maintain their title of Guardians of the Deep.

CONCRETE SHIPS MAY OVERCOME DIVER MENACE

San Francisco, March 16.—A telegram stating that the building of concrete ships "may be instrumental in overcoming the submarine menace" was received here to-day by W. L. Comyn, president of the San Francisco Shipbuilding Company, builders of the concrete steamer *Faith*, from Edward N. Hurley, chairman of the United States Shipping Board.

Casualty Unit.—Major J. Harvey, who will be promoted to Lieut.-Colonel, and Lieut. P. King, respectively of O. C. and adjutant of the Casualty Unit to be established in British Columbia, are now on their way to Ottawa to consult with the military authorities in regard to the details of the establishment.

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Alert Bay—Rain; S. E. light; 29.48; 41'; sea rough.

Triangle—Overcast; S. E. light; 29.70; 45'; sea rough. Spoke str Prince George, 9.50 p. m., off Pine Island, southbound; spoke str Princess Beatrice, 10.30 p. m., Queen Charlotte Sound, northbound; spoke str Princess Maquinna, 10.40 p. m., off Reef Point, southbound; spoke str Princess Ena, 24.5 a. m., off Ivory Island, southbound.

Dead Tree Point—Rain; calm; 29.59; 36'; sea smooth.

Ikeda Bay—Rain; S. E.; 29.08; 39'; sea moderate.

Prince Rupert—Rain; calm; 29.42; 42'; sea smooth.

Noon.

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Dead Tree Point—Overcast; N. E. light; 29.55; 48'; sea smooth.

Ikeda Bay—Rain; S. E.; 29.08; 42'; sea moderate.

Prince Rupert—Overcast; S. E.; 29.40; 40'; sea smooth.

Equal parts of lard and mustard mixed together make a good ointment for children.

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EXPECTS JAPAN TO INTERVENE

Professor Anesaki, of Teikyo University, says subjects of Nippon must be protected.

WILL THWART DESIGN TO GET WAR SUPPLIES

"If it is true that the Maximalists have murdered 150 Japanese in Siberia then it is almost certain that Japan will intervene if only for the protection of its subjects," said Mr. Anesaki, professor of the University of Tokyo, who reached here to-day aboard the liner Atsuta Maru en route from Yokohama to Berkeley, Cal. The professor is bound for California to attend the 50th anniversary celebration of the foundation of the Berkeley University, in connection with which will be held a conference on international relations.

He has a wide knowledge of American affairs, having been professor of Japanese literature at Harvard University from 1913 to 1915. "Japan, as a matter of course, is practically bound to step in now," remarked Mr. Anesaki while discussing the intense phase in the complex Russian situation.

War Supplies.

"Most probably the Germans, or the Bolsheviks, will attempt to make use of the vast supplies of war material that is scattered along the route of the trans-Siberian railroad contiguous to Vladivostok, and in that case the Allies must take charge there to prevent such a possibility."

"It is common knowledge in Japan that vast quantities of war supplies that have been delivered at Vladivostok in the past two years from the United States have never reached Russia proper. It is fully recognized in Japan that should this vast quantity of material fall into the hands of the Germans it would be a great calamity for the Entente. Evidently the Japanese government is watching the situation very closely."

When Mr. Anesaki left the Far East it was rumored that Japan had a certain number of divisions prepared should intervention be necessary.

Constitutional Government.

At the present time in Japan, says Mr. Anesaki, there is an agitation for a more constitutional form of government, the idea being to have the members of the cabinet more directly responsible to the proletariat than to the Crown.

"In principle, what is wanted," said Mr. Anesaki, "is the appointment to the premiership of a man who commands the majority in the Lower House."

"This agitation for really constitutional government, similar to the form of government in the United Kingdom, is still going on in Japan, and its champions are very numerous and influential."

Suffrage.

The suffrage question is an important one in Japan at this period. Less than half of the total male population in Japan have a vote. The advocates of universal suffrage in Japan at the present time may be a negligible quantity, but the voice in that direction is being raised more and more."

After attending the convention at Berkeley, Mr. Anesaki will pay a visit to Harvard in order to see his old college friends under war conditions. He says that a large number of the students that were with him at Harvard two years ago, have now either gone to the front, or are in training. He proposes to return to Japan in about five weeks.

When washing stone steps in frosty weather, add a handful of salt to the water. This will prevent the steps from becoming slippery.

LIGHT AT TRIANGLE ISLAND



Located at the northernmost point of Vancouver Island, the windiest point on the British Columbia Coast. This powerful light surmounts a strongly reinforced tower of concrete.

BAN IS NOW PLACED ON RUSSIAN TRAVEL

Last of Transient Slavs Reached Here To-day on Japanese Liner

The ban has been placed on Russian emigrants.

Until the termination of the war, or such time as it is considered expedient to raise the embargo, the picturesque native of the Russian Empire will be a minus quantity on the ocean liners plying between the Orient and the North Pacific coast.

Russian travel has flourished on the Pacific ever since Kerensky upset things in Russia, when political refugees boarded outbound steamships in droves eager to get back to the country from which they had been exiled during the regime of the Czar. It remained for California to eliminate this traffic.

Lucky Forty-three.

Regulations have now been put into force that will put an immediate stop to Russian travel across the wide expanse of the Pacific. Not only will it be impossible for a person of Russian nationality to make the journey from the United States and Canada to the Far East, but an effective check has also been placed on the routing of the Slavs from Japan to this side. The forty-three Russians arriving on the liner Atsuta Maru will be the last representatives of this race to be transported across the Pacific for some time to come. There was some talk of holding the contingent in Japan, but as passage had been booked when the new regulations became effective, they were permitted to come through. The members of this party consider themselves very lucky persons indeed, as testified by the expansive smiles as they ranged the after deck under the eye of the immigration officers.

Russian Refugees.

There are thousands of Russian refugees in Japan whose hopes of reaching this continent have been rudely shattered. Thousands of others, many of them wealthy people, are scattered among the big centres along the trans-Siberian railroad in Manchuria, especially in the vicinity of Harbin, all of whom are doubtless looking toward the North American continent as a haven of refuge. With such a vast population anxious to get as far away from Russia as possible it would seem incredible that anyone already on this soil would be eager to go to a country which is in the grip of anarchy.

Seeking Passage.

But the fact remains that many Russians have been, and are even now, seeking passage through local steamship agencies with the object of returning to Russia.

LOCAL BUILDER TURNS OUT FINE FISH CRAFT

Capt. Dick Stephens Completes Twenty-Ton Vessel for Capt. T. Thompson

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1059 BAY STREET—Cottage of five rooms, modern, lot about 50 ft. x 120 ft.; low taxes. Price, \$3,000; terms, \$300 cash and \$5 per month, with interest at 6 per cent.

1109 LEE AVENUE—Cottage of five rooms, about six years old, for development, with concrete floor; heated by open fire place and heater. Price, for immediate sale, only \$2,500; terms, \$300 cash, balance monthly.

Apply P. R. BROWN,
1113 Broad Street. Phone 1078
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8 ROOMS, Rockland Ave., on a quarter acre lot and overlooking the best part of Victoria, the water in the Olympic Mountains. The house is spacious and has the best of finish throughout, including hot water heat and four fireplaces. For a limited period can be bought at \$1,500. Terms, \$100 down, \$100 information given over telephone.

7 ROOMS, Patrick Street, on a lot 57 x 120 ft. with oak beams and cement drive. The house is finished with hardwood floors, panelled walls and beam ceilings, furnace and Chinaman's room in basement. A beautiful home at \$7,000.

8 ROOMS, Hollywood Crescent. This house is on a half acre, which has large garage, two large sheds, several chicken houses and feed house. All outbuildings are divided from front by high fence. Large garden with fruit trees, etc. House, 6 years old, has four rooms on first floor with two fireplaces and four large bedrooms. Chinaman's room and furnace in basement. A real snap at \$7,000.

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LEGAL AND OFFICIAL NOTICES



NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

Public School Desks.

SEALED TENDERS, superseeded
Tenders for School Desks, will be re-
ceived by the undersigned up to 12 noon
of Wednesday, 27th day of March, 1918,
for supplying the following desks:

Single Desks,

Size No. 2 350

Size No. 3 350

Size No. 4 275

The desks are to be quoted at a price
per desk.

The name of the desk and maker to
be mentioned in tenders.

Delivery at Victoria or Vancouver on
or before 2nd day of July next.

The successful tender will, free of
any additional charges, store the desks and
pack or crate ready for shipment to
order to places to be hereafter desig-
nated from time to time.

No tender will be entertained unless
accompanied by an accepted cheque on
a chartered bank of Canada, payable to
the Honorable the Minister of Finance,
or by mail, in amount of two hundred
dollars (\$200), which will be forfeited
if the party tendering decline to
enter into contract when called upon to
do so, or if he fail to complete the con-
tract.

Couques of unsuccessful tenders will
be returned upon signing of contract.

The lowest or any tender not neces-
sarily accepted.

JAMES PATERSON,
Purchasing Agent,
Department of Public Works,
Victoria, B. C., March 13, 1918. mhi4

LAND REGISTRY ACT.

Notice Under Section 35.

TAKE NOTICE that an application has
been made to register Elsie Munro as
the owner in Fee-simple, under a Tax
Sale Deed from the Collector of the Cor-
poration of the City of Esquimalt to
Elie Munro, on the date the 26th
day of November, A.D. 1917, in pursuance
of a Tax Sale held by said Collector on
or about the 1st day of September, 1916,
of all and every right, title, interest or
trust of land and immovable estate, lying
and being in the District of Esquimalt in
the Province of British Columbia, more
particularly known and described
as Lot 1, part of Suburban Lot 11,
Man 61A.

And those claiming through or
under you and all persons claiming any
interest in the said land by descent whose-
title is not registered under the provi-
sions of the "Land Registry Act" are re-
quired to contest the claim of the tax
payer in the court of law within one year
from the date of this notice. I
hereby declare the said Elsie Munro as
owner in fee.

I direct that copies of this notice may
be sent by publication in the Victoria
Daily Times twelve consecutive issues.

Dated at the Land Registry Office, at
the City of Victoria, Province of British
Columbia, this 24th day of November,
A.D. 1917.

J. C. GWYNN,
Registrar-General.
To G. H. Stewart, Esq.
Assessed Owner.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

In the Matter of the Estate of Thomas
Ellis, Late of the City of Victoria
in the Province of British Colum-
bia, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given that all persons
having any claims or demands against
the said Thomas Ellis, deceased, on the
1st day of February, 1918, at the said
City of Victoria, are required to send by
post prepaid or to deliver to the under-
signed, Andrew Stewart, C. A. Hollan-
d and W. H. Bullock-Webster execu-
tors and trustees under the will of
the said Thomas Ellis, their names and ad-
dresses and full particulars in writing of
the nature of the securities, the amount
and the nature of the securities, if any, held by them, verified by stat-
utory declaration.

Notice is also given that after the 20th day
of March, 1918, the said C. A. Holland
and W. H. Bullock-Webster will proceed
to distribute the assets of the said es-
tate among the creditors entitled thereto
having regard only to the claims of
which they shall then have had notice,
and that the said C. A. Holland and W. H.
Bullock-Webster will not be liable
for the said assets or any part thereof
to any person of whose claim they shall
not then have received notice.

Dated at Victoria, British Columbia,
the 1st day of February, 1918.

BASS & BULLOCK-WEBSTER,
Of Law Chambers, Bastion Street, Vic-
toria, British Columbia; Solicitors for
the said C. A. Holland and W. H.
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Electrical Supplies

Sealed tenders will be received by the
undersigned up to 3 p.m. on Monday,
March 18, 1918, for the supply of Arc
Globes and Nitrogen Lamps for the
Electric Light Department. Specifications can
be obtained at the Office of the Purchasing
Agent to whom all tenders must be addressed,
and marked on outside of envelope "Tender for Electric
Supplies." Each tender must be accompanied
by a marked cheque for five per
cent of the amount of the tender, made
payable to the City Treasurer. The low-
est tender or any tender not necessarily accepted.

W. GALT,
City Purchasing Agent.

ESQUIMALT DOG TAX.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the
above Tax is due and payable at the
Municipal Office, Esquimalt, on or be-
fore the 1st day of March, 1918. Owners
who have failed to pay the above taxes
are liable to legal proceedings without
further notice.

G. H. PULLEN,
Treasurer.

Esquimalt, March 14th, 1918.

CONCESSIONS TO GERMANY BY HAGUE

Holland Expected to Make
Some When She Meets
Allies' Demands

Washington, March 16.—It was indicated here to-day that at the same time that Holland consents to turn her ships over to Great Britain and the United States for use in the war zone, she will make certain conciliatory concessions to Germany.

At Berlin.

London, March 16.—A conference was held at the Berlin Foreign Office yesterday at which the situation created by the contemplated taking over of Dutch shipping by the Allies was discussed, according to Berlin advices sent by the Exchange Telegraph correspondent at Copenhagen. He quotes *The Local Advertiser* as stating that measures to be taken in the event of Holland's acceptance of the Allied terms were particularly discussed.

EARLY BENEFITS FOR GERMANY BUT SMALL

Washington Officials Antici-
pate Little Quick Economic
Relief From Russia

Washington, March 16.—Germany's military and political achievements in Russia will give her little economic benefit immediately, in the opinion of officials here familiar with the resources of the Slav territory.

Not more than 10,000,000 bushels of grain is believed to be available now in Eastern and Southern Russia, but in October it is possible that from 30,000,000 to 40,000,000 bushels may be available to the Allies.

Perhaps more important than grain will be the vast resources of the Siberian dairy farms, which have been developed by German capital and which will begin to supply in June the fats for which Germany admittedly has been suffering.

German semi-official reports of the capture by the Germans of 80,000,000 bushels of grain in Roumania are ridiculed by officials here on the strength of reports from American Red Cross workers and others who have been in Roumania recently. They say there was no grain to be bought in the open market and that even commandanted cars were sent under guard to remote regions, only limited quantities could be obtained, and those were subject to pilfering by the enemy population.

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Meat and Minerals.

Meat animals obtained in Russia undoubtedly will help Germany to some extent, but the amount of them will not be large. Many are in remote sections. The same thing is true of the vast mineral resources, which are found chiefly in the Ural Mountains, in mines which have been neglected of late and reached only by a transportation system that has lost much of its efficiency. German organization, perhaps the kind exemplified in Belgium, will get the most of the conquered land, officials have no doubt. It is evident, however, that the constant pressure on the Western front, especially with ever-increasing American forces in the fighting, will not allow any large German army to be put in Russia as has been done in Belgium.

Germany's capture of whatever grain is available does not affect the Allied supplies, since neither Russia nor Roumania has been rationed by the other nations.

Musical Club Donates Ambulance.—At a special meeting of the Seattle Ladies' Musical Club yesterday, the members decided to devote the entire proceeds of the season's recitals to the purchase of an ambulance for Seattle Overseas Base Hospital, No. 50. The ambulance will cost about \$2,000, has been already ordered, and is expected to be ready for use in about a month's time. While the net profits of the Club for the season will not amount to the required sum, the Club has, in the past, so invested its earnings that it will be able to draw from a surplus fund in addition to its other patriotic works. This Club also invested \$4,000 in Liberty bonds at the time of the campaign.

During the course of the interview this morning between representatives of various public bodies from Vancouver and the Victoria School Board, with the Hon. J. D. MacLean, Dr. Robinson, Superintendent of Education, asked if the delegation was in possession of a transcript of the evidence upon which the Vanc-Mackay report was produced. He stated that he had expected that the customary procedure in this case, as with other commissions, would have been followed.

Dr. T. P. Hall, one of the members of the delegation, stated that one of the commissioners had told him that the major portion of the evidence had been taken under oath or affirmation, while the published report itself was all the information with which the Vancouver School Board had been supplied. The incident there ended so far as this morning's discussion was concerned.

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B. C. HAD A GREAT CATCH OF HERRING

244,300 Hundredweights Were
Landed During Month of
February Just Past

Ottawa, March 16.—The total value in first hands of all sea fish landed in Canada during February last was \$936,533, as compared with \$580,864 for the corresponding month last year, according to the monthly statement on fish operations issued from the Naval Department this forenoon. This increase, the statement says, was due almost entirely to the greater herring catch in British Columbia waters, which practically constituted the total landing of herring in the whole of Canada. The herring catch last month in British Columbia waters amounted to 244,300 cwt., a great increase over the previous February, when it was only 16,650 cwt. A total of 57,148 cases of herring, each weighing forty-eight pounds, was canned last month in British Columbia, and about 13,000 barrels were Scotch cured, while during the corresponding February, when only 7,118 cases were canned and 350 barrels Scotch cured.

Cod, Haddock, Etc.

The total quantity of cod, haddock, pollock and hake landed during February last was about equal to that landed a year ago. The figures are: 22,045 cwt., as against 20,246 cwt. The weather during February of the present year was more severe than usual in the east, and this may have had a deterrent effect on the Atlantic coast fisheries. The quantity of halibut landed in Canada, chiefly in British Columbia, was 690 cwt. less than during the corresponding month last year, but the value was almost \$60,000 greater.

The smelt fisheries produced 15,364 cwt. from February 1 to February 15, when the season for net fishing closed.

This was less than a year ago, but the open season was extended to February 25 last year.

The lobster season is now in progress on both sides of the Bay of Fundy and on the Nova Scotia coast as far east as Halifax Harbor. Up to the end of February the total pack was 3,061 cases, while 6,579 cwt. were shipped fresh in the shell to market.

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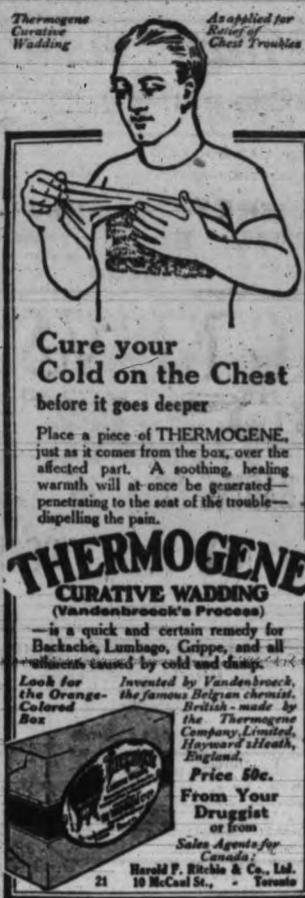
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EDUCATIONAL SYSTEM AND OTHER TOPICS DISCUSSED

Victoria and Vancouver Delegation Meets Minister of Education With Recommendations Covering Wide Field and Affecting the Whole Province

A delegation invited by the Vancouver School Board and representative of the following bodies held conference with the Hon. J. D. MacLean, Minister of Education and Provincial Secretary, and Dr. Robinson, Superintendent of Education, in the Executive Chamber at the Parliament Buildings, this morning: Vancouver School Board and officials, North Vancouver City School Board, the British Columbia University, Victoria School Board, Point Grey School Board, Central Ratepayers' Association of Vancouver, Grandview Ratepayers' Association, Vancouver Association to Promote Speech to Deaf, Child Welfare Association, Vancouver Teachers' Association and the Vancouver Principals' Association.

Many amendments to the Public Schools Act, the establishment of an institution for imbeciles and the extension of the work in the interests of the blind, recommendations from the Vance and Mackay Report, the transfer of money for school purposes and the granting of better financial terms by the Government were fully dealt with in nearly twenty short addresses.

The recommended amendments to the School Act together with a synopsis of the more general quest of the delegation were presented in docket form and in view of the very many important subjects treated therein no time was devoted to discussion. Dr. MacLean promised that he would carefully consider the whole question and what suggestions were capable of inclusion in legislation during the present session, the delegation could rely upon his sympathetic interest. Dr. W. H. Lang officiated as chairman of the delegation.

From Public to High School.

In discussing the amendments to the Public Schools Act Mr. Lister, of the Vancouver Teachers' Association viewed that aspect of school life affecting the passing of the pupil from the public to the high school. He contended that if the Principal and Teachers in the public school were adjudged capable of passing on the pupil's ability to step from grade to grade, then the same theory should apply in the matter of his step to the high school and from his knowledge of the pupil he should also be able to say to what section of the High School he would be best fitted to go. He similarly opined that a good deal too much hitherto had been devoted to the intellectual side of the boy's nature, and not enough to the practical which had a right to just as much consideration.

To Regulate Examinations.

Another delegate speaking on the recommendations of the Vance Mackay Report dwelt on the advisability of less centralization of authority and more flexibility for the education system. Emphasis was laid upon the necessity for the regulation of examinations. The general idea now existing among the teachers was that their own merit would be judged solely by examination results, as consequence of which the schools were drifting into cramming machines. The same speaker advocated that examinations be made subordinate to the judgment of the teachers when it came to the point of the pupil's promotion, because the teacher's estimate of his ability would be more practical than the results of an examination. Dr. Lang on recommendations made to him, would substitute the policy of Municipal Inspectorate with that of a Superintendent of Education answerable to the School Board, not to the Department, and by no means to both as at present. Too much authority in the Department he considered was regarded as troublesome now as the Commissioners had declared.

Scouts' Idea.

Mr. McKee of the Vancouver Principals' Association, advocated the provision to all the teachers concerned a full text of the Provincial and Municipal Inspectors' Reports. Pensions for teachers was another plea from the same speaker. Dr. Robinson of the

British Columbia University rather scolded the idea of looking upon the examination as a necessary evil and the results of an examination. Dr. Lang on recommendations made to him, would substitute the policy of

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PUBLIC MEETING

will be held under auspices of

Men's and Women's Liberal Associations

in the K. of P. Hall, North Park Street

Thursday, March 21

HON. JOHN OLIVER, PREMIER
MRS. RALPH SMITH, and City
Members Will Speak.

Chair will be taken at 8 p.m.

Will Reply to Alderman Andres. Mayor Todd indicated to-day that on the receipt of the report of the Streets Committee at the City Council on Monday he would challenge the accuracy of Alderman Andres, in his remarks with regard to the Johnson Street bridge. These remarks are reported in another column.

MANY SUGGESTIONS TO AID PRODUCTION

General Committee Hears Activities of Committees; and Makes Recommendations

Conflicting views were expressed at the increased Production meeting this morning on the question of water. Capt. Clarke's committee had recommended that during the growing season the water rate, above the household minimum, should be rebated fifty per cent, in other words the same privileges as given cultivators of vacant lots last season should be extended to gardens.

A number of speakers took part in the discussion, on its aspects of reduced revenue and difficulties of distribution owing to the limited main capacity in some parts of the city. Alderman Andros deprecated the obstacles put in the way of water users. The motion passed, and will be forwarded to the City Council.

Committee Reports.

A report from the ploughing sub-committee, Alderman Sangster, chairman, showed that the receipts had been \$22,23 and the expenditure \$24,50. Ninety lots had been ploughed to date, and sixty-five remained to be ploughed. Between five and six acres had been cultivated at Beacon Hill Park, and there was also the land on the Reserve now under plough. Reports were also forthcoming on the harrowing and discing of lots.

Principal Smith reported on the publicity meeting at the High School, and stated that a future lecture would be arranged on Infestations and Pests.

Seed Committee.

Alderman Dinsdale reported for the seed sub-committee, showing that potatoes would be sold at two cents a pound, sweet corn seed at thirty cents per pound, beans at twenty cents per pound, whale fertilizer at \$3 per eighty-pound sack and lime at fifty cents per sack. The sales would be conducted through the Market Clerk. Orders to supply potatoes in bulk would be invited.

The meeting appointed through the chairman (Alderman Sargent), Supt. Purdy, W. N. Mitchell and Provincial Horticulturist M. S. Middleton as the committee to prepare the prize list for the vacant lot gardens and the fall exhibition.

Dear Fish.

Mrs. Schofield urged that some steps should be taken to reduce the price of fish on the Pacific Coast, in view of the fact that fish from this coast was selling cheaper 1,000 miles away than here where it was caught.

A motion which she introduced to apply to the authorities on the subject was adopted.

Labor Question.

The labor situation was explained by G. Emery on behalf of the Soldiers of the Soil movement, and Miss Perry on behalf of the movement to secure women workers for agricultural employment.

Captain Clarke carried through a motion favorable to the initiation of the Daylight Saving Act in British Columbia.

In this connection Principal A. G. Smith introduced a resolution to ask the Retail Merchants' Association to close the stores earlier during the summer months.

Capt. Gidley favored later starting in the morning in Victoria stores and there being a widespread division of opinion on the subject, the motion was defeated. Thereupon it was resolved to indicate to the Merchants' Association that their part in the campaign was welcomed in the readjustment of hours.

Charge Withdrawn. — The charge against Lee, a Flaggard Street Chinaman, was withdrawn this morning. The information charged an assault on a white woman.

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Fined Under Prohibition Act. — Strat George was fined \$50 for having liquor on the premises at the Greek Club, after the case had been heard in the City Police Court to day.

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Unslaked Lime Causes Fire. — The Fire Department to-day was called to the storeroom of the C. P. R. Bellville Street, where a barrel of unslaked lime had become heated and ignited waste material alongside. About \$60 damage was done. A similar fire occurred some months ago in the hold of the S. S. Tean.

Mrs. Jenkins Agrees.

Mrs. Margaret Jenkins, of the Victoria Board, heartily concurred in this connection. She very much deplored the spending of fairly substantial sums at frequent intervals on more or less temporary structures when monies were held by the Trustees under other authorizations for structures of a permanent nature. That the creation of legislation amending Municipal law to this extent was necessary seemed to be the general belief of the delegation.

Financial Assistance.

The last matter dealt with was that of larger financial assistance from the Government. It was pointed out that as far as the City of Vancouver was concerned the Government's contribution in 1908 represented thirty-seven per cent. of the total outlay in Vancouver, the city, of course, paying the balance. In 1917 the Government's share had dwindled to twenty-six per cent. and with the prospect of an expenditure of \$100,000 in excess of 1917 during the present year, the delegation was anxious that the Province should help out on a fifty-fifty basis.

R. W. Perry was the other Victoria representative on the delegation.

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Saanich School Board. — There is a meeting of the Saanich School Board in progress this afternoon at Tillicum School, the object in meeting there being to inspect the school grounds.



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LOT CONSCRIPTION STRONGLY ENDORSED

Large Majority of Increased Production Committee Favors Immediate Action

A lively discussion took place in the Increased Production Committee this morning on a resolution introduced by J. W. Gibson, Director of Elementary Agricultural Education, in favor of the conscription of vacant lots.

In submitting the resolution Mr. Gibson admitted the difficulties which would have to be faced, and therefore he said the resolution confined itself to the principle, leaving to the Legislature the question of the best way in which to effect the desired end. He pointed to the growing opinion in various parts of the Province in favor of action by the House immediately.

Opposition Develops.

Joseph Drader, who has a large number of lots cultivated in the Spring Ridge section, contended that the measure was unnecessary, that he had few refusals and more damage was done by stray dogs than any other class of offender. Personally he should object to cultivate lots which were not loaned to him freely.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Andrews both opposed the motion, the former stating that it was violating a fundamental principle of British jurisprudence. It only differed from the policy of the Bolsheviks in that it proposed to take the land for six months in the year, while the Russian Soviets would take it altogether. Why did they not first plan to cultivate the boulevards, parks, etc?

Germans at Odessa?

Major Todd said it was a war measure for war purposes only. If the Germans controlled the hinterland around Odessa and could only starve off peace till the harvest of 1918 was reaped, the hope of the Allies to starve the Germans into submission was gone. If they did not win the war he could assure Mr. Andrews those whose land was proposed to be taken would have to deal with very different masters when they came to protect their property. Sir William Head was introducing a measure into the Ontario Legislature for this purpose.

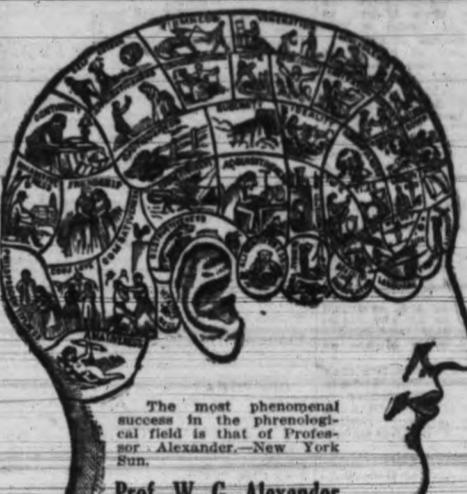
In regard to cultivating the boulevards, few of them were fit for planting, apart from the legal position with property owners. The City was already cultivating the parks. The absentees did not merit so much attention if they refused to aid at this time.

Councillor Tanner and Municipal Clerk Cowper spoke from the experience of Saanich, endorsing action to secure power to deal with unoccupied subdivisions.

Motion Carries.

In answer to questions the secretary of the committee stated that 350 applications made for lots, favorable replies had been received in about sixty per cent. of the cases.

After discussion in which the pro-



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The funeral of the late John Wicks, who died at the Royal Jubilee Hospital on March 18, will be held from the Sands Funeral Chapel on Tuesday next at 2 o'clock. The late Mr. Wicks was born in England fifty-five years ago and had been a resident of Victoria for the past six years.

The funeral of the late John Wicks, who died at the Royal Jubilee Hospital on Thursday of William John Jeffs, who died at the Royal Jubilee Hospital on Wednesday, were shipped by the Sands Funeral Chapel to Seattle yesterday afternoon for cremation. The late Mr. Jeffs was seventy-two years of age, an Englishman by birth, and had been a resident of this city for thirty years.

The death occurred at New Westminster on March 13 of James Blades. The late Mr. Blades was born in England nineteen years ago, and was a naval seaman by occupation. The remains will arrive here to-morrow morning and will be conveyed to the Sands Funeral Parlors. The funeral will take place on Monday at 1.30 o'clock from the Sands Chapel and at 2 o'clock at the church of the naval cemetery. The Rev. Dr. MacLean will officiate.

Again Remanded.—R. J. Riley was remanded until Monday in the City Police Court to-day on a charge of fraudulently obtaining board at the Empress Hotel. A vagrancy charge was also remanded against George Kidd.

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Mr. Bowser Could Not Support
H. C. Hall's C. N. R.
Resolution

TIME NOT OPPORTUNE:
REASON MUST PREVAIL

Legislative Press Gallery,

March 15.

So that he could the more properly and intelligently discuss the resolution against the Canadian Northern Pacific Railway Company's defaulted covenants, introduced to the House and spoken to by H. C. Hall, the junior member for Victoria, yesterday afternoon, the Leader of the Opposition adjourned the debate until he had been afforded an opportunity of reading the complete substance of Mr. Hall's remarks in the morning paper. Mr. Bowser resumed the debate this afternoon when he informed the House that his due deliberation had brought him to the point where he found that he could not subscribe to the terms of the resolution.

Charity and Reason.

With the hands of the Dominion Government more or less tied by a huge financial problem arising from war finance, he regarded gratuitous suggestions as to what should or should not be done in the way of incurring expenditure of what, in the light of the world struggle, for the moment had to be placed in a secondary category, as quite a serious matter. Furthermore, and in view of the fact that this province was actually a creditor by shares as security of the Canadian Northern Pacific Railway Company, the passage of the resolution would be telling the Board of Arbitration now sitting that British Columbia's shares, in common with the rest, were valueless. And in general he wished to counsel the Legislature into a more charitable and reasonable view of the situation, as quite apart from a dignified attitude, towards which, after all was a matter now sub judice.

All in Due Time.

The Leader of the Opposition observed at the outset that he was naturally interested in the completion of the road both on Vancouver Island and on the mainland, but for the most part his remarks were largely devoted to a historical survey of the Canadian Northern enterprise in British Columbia and the benefits that would follow the completion of the various contemplated lines. While those benefits, however, would have to be waived for the present, he was of the opinion that the action of the Dominion Government in taking over the line was good news for British Columbia, because it suggested to him that, just as soon as the stress of actual war financing had passed, it would be to the advantage of the Dominion Government to see that the lines were completed so as to assist in a general expansion programme, and to act as an auxiliary force in the creation of business and revenue to meet the enormous post bellum liabilities.

Reason to Prevail.

Therefore, desirable as it might be to bring pressure to bear, as called for in Mr. Hall's resolution, the time to do it was not yet. The first duty of the Dominion Government was to provide its biggest possible share of one of the principle aims of war. That being the case he urged the Legislature to exercise great care in the passing of resolutions which would mean the diversion of funds from essential war work to railway or other enterprises at this time. Reason had to prevail.

Infra Dig.

On another score the Leader of the Opposition was unable to support the resolution. It was infra dig for this Legislature or any other Legislature to tender superfluous advice to the Arbitration Board now in session and to tell them point blank that the shares of the Company were valueless. This House had not the right to come to that conclusion, because it was not in possession of the facts. The Board was sitting under the authority of the Federal Parliament with the object of de-

termining their value, and for that purpose every available source of information calculated to assist it to a proper estimate had been placed at its disposal. With the assumption, too, by the Dominion Government of the obligations of the Company there was effectively removed the bugbear of what might be termed the bankrupt railway company.

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George Bell, member for Victoria, adjourned the debate.

"SOLDIERS OF SOIL" INTEREST STUDENTS AT THE HIGH SCHOOL

Mayor Todd and Other Ad-dressed Pupils Yesterday Afternoon

All in Due Time.

If the volume of questions to which the subject gave rise is indicative of enthusiasm on the part of a student body, Victoria's enlistment in the "Soldiers of the Soil" will surpass all expectations.

In the auditorium of the High School yesterday afternoon over three hundred students listened to a comprehensive exposition of the Dominion movement to recruit 25,000 Canadian boys for work on the farms. The boys were addressed by Mayor Todd, J. Kyle, Director of Technical Education, Secretary Graham, of the Y. M. C. A., and H. A. Beckwith.

Touch All Phases.

The situation, which has given rise to the demand for the "Soldiers of the Soil," was fully reviewed by the Mayor. Mr. Kyle set forth the plan of organization adopted for the management of the boys in British Columbia, indicating that every step had been taken for guarding the welfare of the young farm hand. As a word of encouragement to those boys who might be disincentive in joining the new army, Mr. Graham cited numerous cases of boys who had made the experiment in various parts of Canada last year, while Mr. Beckwith was bombarded with such a volley of questions at the conclusion of the meeting that he was compelled to answer them.

The boys at the close received copies of the "Soldiers of the Soil" announcement issued by the Dominion Food Board to the parents. Principal Alexander Smith, who presided, advised the students to discuss the question fully at home during the coming week-end that they will be in a position to decide whether they will register during the week of March 17, when all enlistments will take place.

Mayor Todd Speaks.

In urging upon the students the necessity of giving the "Soldiers of the Soil" movement their fullest support, Mayor Todd reviewed briefly the food situation in its relation to the Allied Powers. He called attention to the ever-increasing demand for foodstuffs in Great Britain, France and Italy, countries which prior to the war had imported largely the products which they consumed. Their output of food had been largely affected by the struggle and the responsibility of supplying the much-needed grain, beef and bacon now rested with the dominions: Canada, Australia and New Zealand, and the allied republic, the United States.

Canada in her position of proximity to the United Kingdom naturally received a greater share of the responsibility.

In the Speaker's estimation it was a lamentable thing that Canada had not performed her full share of duty with regard to the food question. In men she had done nobly. Many of her sons had gone to fight; others were engaged in the manufacture of munitions or the construction of ships; it remained for the boy to do what he could on the farm.

Explains Organization.

Mr. Kyle asked the student body to remember that in considering the question of the "Soldiers of the Soil" it was dealing with a big, serious problem. In entering the ranks of those who were to aid production they were not setting out on a picnic. It was essential they should recognize what was before them. The Speaker pictured many of the charms of rural life, but reminded his audience that these merely tempered the real work. He cautioned the boys not to form too high an estimate of their value to the farmer; to remember that strong men had offered their services and even their lives at \$1.10 a

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